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Seeing a new Olympic view

Sophomore helps broadcast Winter Games

BY ELLEN R. STAPLETON
News Editor

Sophomore Sean Colahan has always watched the Olympics on television from his home.

But as the 2002 Winter Games get underway in Salt Lake City on Feb. 8, Colahan will be there to witness the figure-skating and short-track speed-skating action.

And he'll be helping to deliver the images he sees as a commentary-control operator in the Salt Lake Ice Center to billions of viewers worldwide.

"I'll see them firsthand, not through a microphone or camera," said Colahan, a television-radio major who has taken a leave of absence for the spring semester to work in Salt Lake City. "I'll be there to take in the whole Olympic experience."

International Sports Broadcasting, the host broadcaster of the Olympics, hired Colahan in the fall after a weeklong interviewing and training process. He is one of

350 college students in the company's broadcast training program.

As a commentary-control operator, Colahan will perform the



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GARRETT M. SMITH/THE ITHACAN

SOPHOMORE SEAN COLAHAN has left the broadcast studio of the Roy H. Park School of Communications for the semester to work as a commentary-control operator in the Salt Lake Ice Center at the 2002 Winter Olympics.

Faculty to consider ending A+

BY KELLI B. GRANT
Assistant News Editor

Valued at 4.3 on the grade point average scale, an A+ can boost even the most lackluster GPA.

But at the Tuesday Faculty Council meeting, members will discuss, and possibly vote on, a recommendation to eliminate the A+ all together. If Faculty Council approves the measure, it will move on to the college's Academic Policies Committee for consideration.

Eliminating the A+ is the first of four recommendations made by the Faculty Council Committee on Grading Policies in December 2000 in an effort to reduce grade inflation.

Associate Professor Lee Bailey, philosophy and religion, chairman of the grading policies committee, said the college would not be the first to reduce grade inflation by eliminating the A+. Syracuse University no longer awards an A+, and Princeton University is looking to do the same, he said.

The number of A grades given at the college has been steadily rising over the years, Bailey said. Currently, 42 percent of the grades given are A's, he said.

In a faculty survey on grade inflation, 76 percent believed the high percentage of A's awarded devalues the grade, he said.

"We are pleased that the students are doing well," Bailey said. "But the meaning of excellence [in an A grade] has been lost. I'd really like to reward students who do their work with an A that really means something."

Assistant Professor Timothy Nord, music, said he does not think the A+ should be eliminated. Nord said he has only given an A+ two times in his 10 years of college teaching but emphasized the importance of recognizing students who go "head and heels above" in their work.

"It's an apt indication of the quality of their work," he said.

Associate Professor Catherine Gordon and Assistant Professor Carole Dennis, chairwomen of the Department of Occupational Therapy, said they prefer lowering the grade-point equivalent of an A+ to 4.0 from 4.3.

Dennis said she thinks a B grade demonstrates competence, an A grade is exceptional and an A+ should only be given to students who have gone above and beyond what is expected of them.

Both Dennis and Gordon said they don't give out many A+ grades.

"In my case, someone who has done truly outstanding work ... deserves an A+," Gordon said.

Junior Brenna Corbett, Student Government Association vice president of academics, said SGA has yet to take a position on the issue. However, SGA is asking Faculty Council to listen to student opinions before taking a vote on the recommendation.

"This has been a bombshell for everyone," Corbett said. "No one knows what to think yet."

Faculty Council may also be considering the three other recommendations of the grading policies committee during the semester. The other recommendations are: using student evaluations as a tool to improve teaching and not as a salary incentive, changing the pass/fail system and adding information about class size and median grade to academic transcripts for grade clarification.

Faculty Council will meet on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Clark Lounge, Campus Center. The meeting is open to the public.

Article sparks reader backlash

BY JOE GERAGHTY
Assistant News Editor

The college's quarterly magazine has received a record number of letters in response to a piece about America's reaction to the Sept. 11 attacks written by Associate Professor Asma Barlas, chairwoman of the Department of Politics.

Maura Stephens, editor of "Ithaca College Quarterly," said she has been sent more than 20 letters with both positive and negative comments about the article titled "Why Do They Hate Us?" That issue of the

Quarterly, published at the end of 2001, reached more than 48,000 readers, according to the Office of College Relations.

In the article, Barlas suggests that instead of asking "Why do they hate us?"

Americans should ask "Why do we hate and oppress them?" It was part of a larger package which included seven other guest articles and information about four alumni who died at the World Trade Center.

Stephens said the magazine has never received so many letters in response to one article. The magazine's policy is to print all letters that are not libelous.

"Some of the letters are very, very supportive," she said. "People are thankful that we aired voices that wouldn't otherwise have been heard. But there are some that are very angry. Some are quite attacking."

Barlas said she is not entirely surprised by the reaction her writing has inspired.

"I did expect some people to be upset with me, but I did not expect them to become irrational enough to accuse me of being sympathetic to bin Laden and the Al Qaeda network," she said. "I can't help feeling that it's because I'm a Muslim. I respect people's right to disagree with

me, but I don't think many of the people who took issue with me actually respect my right to say what I want."

Stephens said she wanted to provide a forum for other people's voices in the issue of the Quarterly.

President Peggy R. Williams said she received copies of the letters because Stephens wanted to bring "the backlash" to her attention. She also said she received a critical e-mail sent directly to her address, to which she sent a reply.

College Relations Director Marina Todd said one of the letter writers threatened to stop making donations to the college.

Williams said she could not tell whether threats were serious.

"People who are upset are upset, and to me that is one way they choose to express it," she said. "Obviously we would hope that they wouldn't do that."

Williams said she may address the controversy in the next issue of the Quarterly.

"I feel disappointed that some people believe that I should have told people not to write these things," she said. "I can't agree with that. Different people have different ideas about what [the causes of Sept. 11] are. It seems to me if there is anyplace in the world where we should be encouraging a free exchange of ideas, it's the academy."

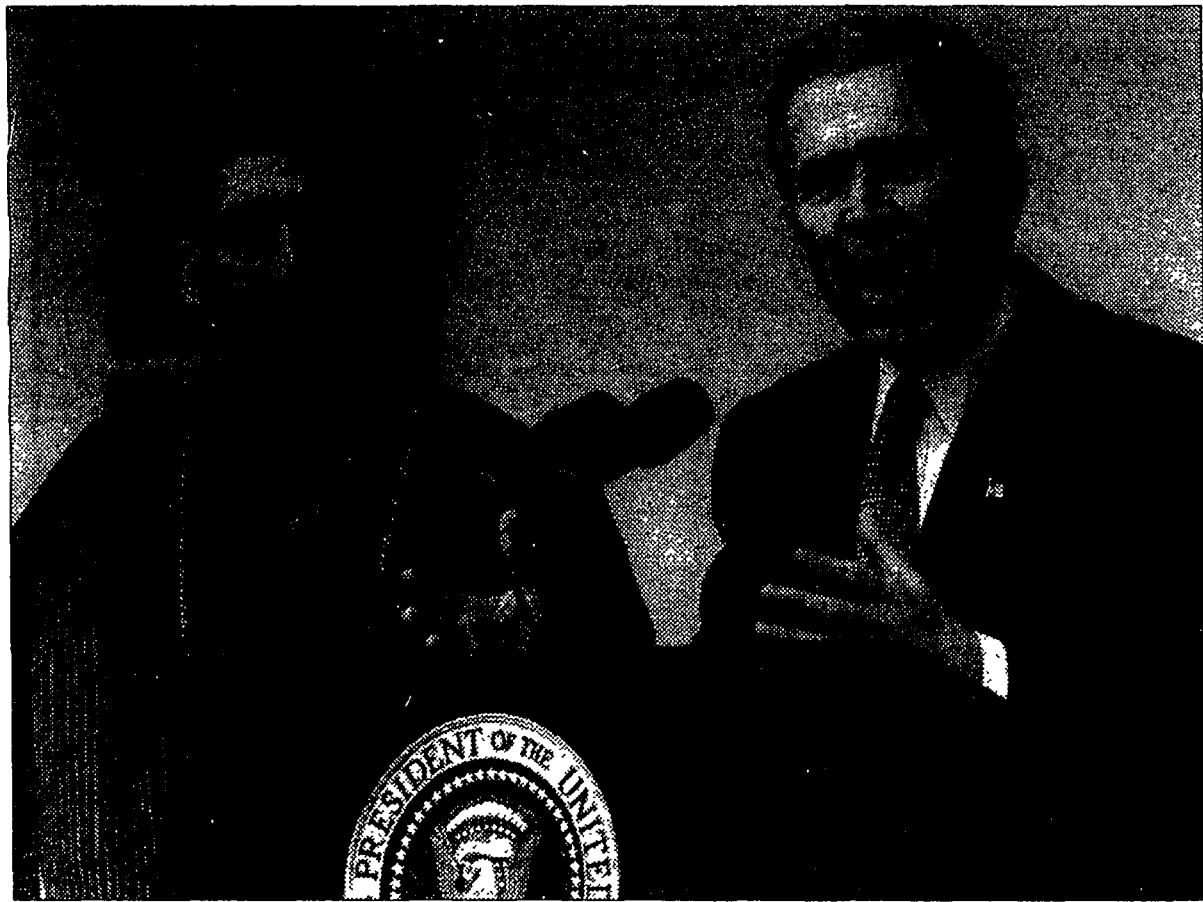
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THIS ARTICLE IN the "Ithaca College Quarterly" has spurred controversy.

National and International News

EAST MEETS WEST



PRESIDENT BUSH TOLD Minister Hamid Karzai, the head of Afghanistan's new government, Monday during a meeting between the two men that the U.S. military will help train a new Afghan national army.

CHUCK KENNEDY/KRT

America still threatened by terrorists

President Bush said Tuesday that tens of thousands of terrorists still threaten America — "ticking time bombs, set to go off" — and unveiled plans to stalk them across the globe. He promised a battle of equal vigor to revive the economy.

"We will prevail in war, and we will defeat this recession," the commander in chief said, standing before Congress and the public with heroically high approval ratings.

In his first State of the Union address, nearly five months after the Sept. 11 attacks, Bush fleshed out his vision for

the war on terrorism beyond Afghanistan — to a dozen countries that he said harbor terrorists and "an axis of evil" of three more that seek weapons of destruction.

U.S. refuses POW status for terrorists

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld reiterated Sunday that Al Qaeda and Taliban detainees at the U.S. naval base in Cuba would not be classified as prisoners of war, underscoring a division among members of President Bush's cabinet.

Administration and military officials are scheduled to meet Monday at the White House to discuss the status of 158 detainees captured in the war on terrorism.

Secretary of State Colin Powell has urged President Bush to declare the Guantanamo captives as subject to the protections of the 1949 Geneva Convention, even if they are not classified as POWs.

Rumsfeld said that as terrorists and fighters for an illegitimate Taliban regime, the captives are "unlawful combatants" who did not qualify for Geneva Convention status, even though their treatment meets the conditions of the international treaty.

Fed says economy due for a rebound

Striking a more upbeat note than he did two weeks ago, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said last Thursday that the economy was showing signs of improvement and declared himself "conflicted" on the need for any economic stimulus legislation from Congress.

After Greenspan testified, independent analysts predicted that the Federal Reserve, which cut interest rates 11 times last year, would refrain from further cuts when it meets Tuesday and Wednesday. Indeed, the next Fed move on interest rates may be to raise them later this year.

While expressing confidence in the economy's ability to bounce back, Greenspan warned that several risks were still ahead, including rising unemployment.

"Job losses could put something of a damper on consumer spending," he said.

Enron executive looks to redeem image

The campaign to repair the reputation of former Enron chairman Ken Lay began Monday.

Expressing exasperation at lawsuits and news coverage demonizing him, Lay's wife, Linda Lay, went on network television to defend him — and say that they're broke.

"This is mass hysteria," Linda Lay said on NBC's "Today" show Monday morning. "Nobody even really knows what the truth is yet. The only truth I know 100 percent for sure is that my husband is an honest, decent, moral human being, who would do absolutely nothing wrong."

Lay, who hasn't given his version of what caused Enron's collapse, is scheduled to appear before a congressional committee next Monday. He resigned from Enron last week and has retained a public relations adviser.

Linda Lay said that her husband, who reportedly made \$300 million in salary, bonus and stock options over the last four years, has also lost his fortune.

SOURCE: KRT Campus and The Associated Press

News Briefs

SGA appoints Congress chair after three search processes

The Student Government Association Executive Board has appointed a Congress Chair after three separate search processes that began in the fall semester.



GAUGER

Sophomore Neal Gauger will serve as chair, controlling the flow of meetings and acting as a liaison between the executive board and congress members.

"I want to get a good relationship between the board, the chair and congress because that's going to facilitate better meetings," Gauger said.

Junior Brandon Steinorth, vice president of business and finance, had served as interim chair for the past semester.

State to post No Turn on Red sign at college's 96B entrance

The New York State Department of Transportation will be installing a No Turn on Red sign at the front exit of the college within the next few weeks.

Staff Council Chairwoman Crystal Young, administrative assistant for campus safety, said students and staff parking in Y-lot across from the entrance have had diffi-

culties crossing because cars are able to exit the college during red lights.

"It's a definite safety issue," she said.

Laurie Rutledge, administrative assistant for operations and support services, brought the issue to Staff Council. The State Department of Transportation was asked to investigate, and it deemed it an appropriate area for the sign.

Faculty and staff members to benefit from new meal plan

Faculty and staff members can purchase meal plans beginning Monday and join students for breakfast, lunch or dinner in the dining halls.

The meal plans include 10 meals for \$50. Dining Services Director Gene Wescott said the program is being offered both as a benefit for staff members and a way to promote interaction with students.

Faculty and staff members can attend meals at any time during the week except lunch times at the Campus Center Dining Hall from Monday through Thursday, Wescott said. The dining hall is so crowded at that time, staff members are being encouraged to eat elsewhere, he said.

Career Services' new system aids job search for students

Career Services will launch its new online recruiting management system, eRecruiting, on Friday.

The old system, JobDirect.com, is being deactivated by its parent company Kom-Ferry International.

Accounts will be established on eRecruiting, at www.erecruiting.com, for all previous users, said John Fracchia, assistant director of career services. Users will need to re-upload current résumés and contact in-

formation.

Fracchia said the new system compares favorably with JobDirect.com, which debuted in Fall 2000.

In addition to having all the functions of JobDirect.com, eRecruiting has more detailed searches, and resumes are uploaded more accurately, he said.

Speech contest raises debate on forces shaping America

The Department of Speech Communication and Lambda Pi Eta will be sponsoring the fourth annual Pericles Prize in Persuasive Oratory, which awards \$500 for a persuasive speech on the topic "Designing the New American."

Students must present a researched speech that lasts seven to 10 minutes in the preliminary rounds on Feb. 20 and 21. Three finalists will be chosen to compete in the final round on Feb. 27.

Interested students should contact Associate Professor Jodi Cohen, speech communication, to schedule a preliminary time slot.

College meets new fire codes in Friends Hall renovations

The college spent \$160,000 to renovate the first floor of Friends Hall during Winter Break.

Fred Vanderburgh, assistant director of construction and facilities maintenance, said the renovations of the hallway and computer labs were necessary to meet fire codes and to add light to the hallway.

"We were in desperate need of renovations," Vanderburgh said. "We took care of safety and fire code issues."

He said there are no plans to renovate the other floors of Friends.

CORRECTIONS

Seniors Jeffrey Guida, Todd Neuhaus, Kenneth Alberti and Robert Frank live in an apartment on Hudson Street. Their address was incorrect in the Jan. 24 issue.

Shamir Rhodes is a junior. His class year was incorrect in the Jan. 24 issue.

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It's Greek to me

Four on-campus fraternities sponsor weeklong celebration

BY EMILY LIU
Staff Writer

Shirts with Greek letters and display cases in the School of Music serve as subtle reminders that there are four professional fraternities at the college.

A small group, 54 students in all, are members of the recognized fraternities Kappa Gamma Psi, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Sigma Alpha Iota and Mu Phi Epsilon.

"Very few people know there are Greek organizations on campus," said senior Junius Welch, president of Kappa Gamma Psi.

The members are hoping to change that by sponsoring a series of events called Greek Week from Monday to Feb. 9.

Kappa Gamma Psi

Saunter into Terrace 8 with a cup of coffee and book of poetry, and you may find yourself listening to a Kappacino night with members of Kappa Gamma Psi.

Singers, dancers, actors and poets are just some of the students who make up the performing arts fraternity, which is housed in Terrace 8.

Welch, a television-radio major, is an example of the diversity in academic background of the co-educational fraternity.

"Kappa Gamma Psi spends much of its time working toward small recitals throughout the year," Welch said. "We held five recitals last semester alone."

The recitals include a formal recital, an informal recital and a "fearless" recital, in which members challenge themselves to perform or play something that they would not normally perform.

"Some come to us because they want a supportive group," Welch

said. "Some come to us because they have to deal with a rigid structure of academic performance and want to just rock out and have a good time doing the things they love."

Welch said being in the fraternity helps to make many contacts for jobs because of connections to alumni. One of the members was able to find a job in New York City within a week after sending out an e-mail through the fraternity's list.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Delta chapter

Venture into Terrace 12, and you may bump into a brother of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, the oldest male music fraternity in the United States.

Junior Byron Ford, president, said the fraternity aims to encourage and actively promote creativity, performance and research in music.

"They live up to the ideals we try to instill in our organization," Ford said. "The founders sought to create an organization for the uplifting of mankind through ideals and music. Any action for the good of mankind is encouraged in all Sinfonians."

He said one of the biggest activities for the fraternity is running the college's pep band.

Famous Sinfonians include Aaron Copeland, Duke Ellington, Andy Griffith and Luciano Pavarotti.

"All we require is a love for music," Ford said.

Sigma Alpha Iota

Walk through the School of Music on a Wednesday morning, and you may find a student selling doughnuts. She is one of 10 sisters of Sigma Alpha Iota, an all-female music fraternity.

"It was founded for women who have a sincere interest in music,"



SENIOR SARAH DEWEY, left, president of Sigma Alpha Iota, hugs senior Callie Shrader, center, and sophomore Melanie Fishman, members of the female music fraternity, following a meeting in Terrace 9.

said senior Sarah Dewey, president.

Sigma Alpha Iota's national standards require members to have a minimum grade point average of 3.2. They hold public recitals every semester.

Special housing for Sigma Alpha Iota is Terrace 9. The residence hall's lounge is equipped with a grand piano, donated by an alumna.

Sigma Alpha Iota has international chapters, which gives members opportunities to meet many interesting people, Dewey said.

"It's an automatic bond to hundreds of people from all over the world," she said.

Marcia Bernhurst Parkes '74 pledged the Ithaca College chapter in 1971 and has remained active in the Rochester alumnae group.

"Just yesterday, I was in the Kinko's parking lot and saw a car with the SAI Eastman sticker on their rear windshield," she said. "The car's owner was an SAI from the University of Maryland. We had an instant connection."

Mu Phi Epsilon

Go to a music student's recital, and you may hear the melody of the Mu Phi Epsilon's creed float from backstage to fill the auditorium. These are the voices of Mu Phi Epsilon, a professional co-educational music fraternity housed in Terrace 12.

"We sing our Mu Phi Epsilon Creed before each other's recitals to show our support," said junior Abigail Irwin, president. "We celebrate music by performing it,

teaching it and through music, friendship and harmony."

A Christmas carolers concert the group performed last semester is just one of the events that corresponds to its mission to foster ideals of service to the school and community.

This semester Irwin is planning for her fraternity to get together with their brothers and sisters from the Eastman School of Music and SUNY Geneseo to perform a joint recital.

Irwin said there are also many scholarship opportunities available for its members. Members help each other on academic and personal levels.

"The best part of Mu Phi Epsilon is the presence of community and support as well as the mutual love of music and togetherness," she said.

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Kappa Gamma Psi

- Created an annual scholarship to honor an alumnus who incorporated music into the classroom.
- Collects instruments to donate to the Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation, which restores the instruments and donates them to low-income school districts.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

- Follows Mills Music Mission, community service activities that

honor the fraternity's founder.

- Performs an intergenerational choir with the Longview retirement community every Tuesday night.

Sigma Alpha Iota

- Performed the show "Swingtime Canteen" and donated all proceeds to the Salvation Army.

Mu Phi Epsilon

- Gives music mini-recitals at retirement homes.

Fraternity members bond through music and service

BY EMILY LIU
Staff Writer

The four professional music and performing arts fraternities are gearing up for a week to make their presence known on campus. All four are chapters of national fraternities that promote music in the community and engage in community service as a part of their philanthropic activities.

Karen Coleman, acting assistant director of campus center and activities, is the adviser of the Interfraternity Council, an umbrella organization for Kappa Gamma Psi, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Sigma Alpha Iota and Mu Phi Epsilon.

None of the fraternities conducts hazing, and all are prohibited from having alcohol at their events by the college's Greek Life Policy.

While there are nine unrecognized social Greek groups run by Ithaca College students, the college has not recognized other Greek life since 1980, when a student died during fraternity hazing.

Senior Junius Welch, president of Kappa Gamma Psi, said facing stereotypes comes along with being in a fraternity.

"When you wear a letter to class, they say, 'Oh, you're a drinker.' None of us are drinkers," he said.

Only Mu Phi Epsilon requires its

members to be music majors, minors or musical theater majors. The other three are open to anyone on campus.

Since the fraternities have lifetime memberships, many faculty members at the college are members in the recognized Greek organizations. In Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia alone, there are nearly 30 brothers on the faculty.

Senior Callie Shrader, vice president of ritual for Sigma Alpha Iota, said the feeling of family is one of the best parts of being in the fraternity.

"If you're going through a rough time, all the sisters rally together and help you through it," she said.

GREEK WEEK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Greek Week is designed to raise campus awareness of the professional fraternities.

Kappa Gamma Psi, with 15 members, was founded at the college in 1929 and is the only surviving chapter in the country.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, with 14 members, was founded at the college in 1901 by President Emer-

iti W. Grant Egbert and George C. Williams, both members of the fraternity.

Sigma Alpha Iota, with 10 members, was founded at the college in 1913.

Mu Phi Epsilon, founded at the college in 1903, has 15 members.

The events are:

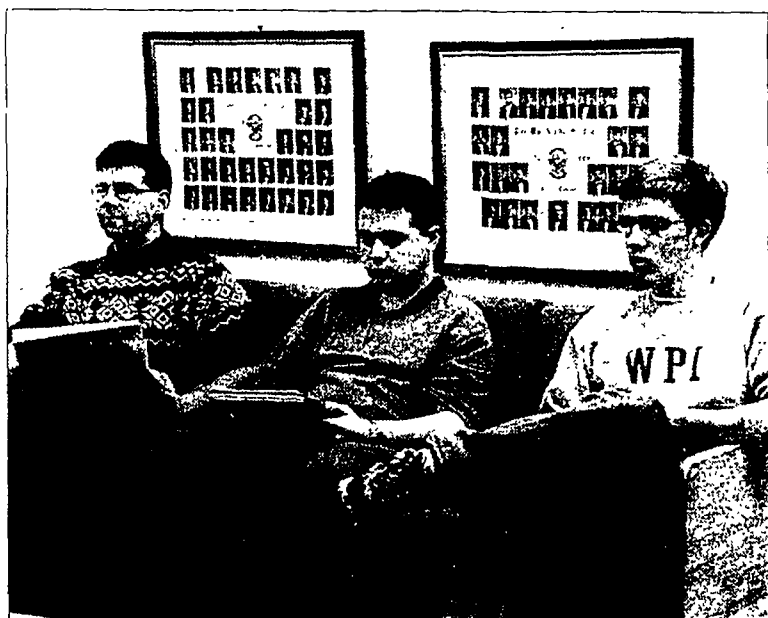
Monday — Meet and Greet in-

formational session at 8 p.m. in Clark Lounge, Campus Center.

Tuesday — Karaoke at 8 p.m. in the Campus Center Pub and Coffeehouse.

Wednesday — Recital at 8 p.m. in the Campus Center Pub and Coffeehouse.

Thursday — Improvisation night at 8:30 p.m. in Clark Lounge.



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT, junior Robert Bruns, senior Karl Smith and sophomore Michael Trear discuss Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia fraternity business at its meeting in a Terrace 12 lounge.

Student watches Salt Lake prepare

BY ELLEN R. STAPLETON
News Editor

Anticipation for the 2002 Winter Olympics has been growing in Salt Lake City since the beginning of the year, said sophomore Sean Colahan, who has been working there since Jan. 6.

The city has hung 12 tapestries of Olympic athletes covering entire sides of tall office buildings. In nearly every store, Olympic souvenirs are on sale.

But recently, preparations have focused on stepping up security forces, which are expected to outnumber athletes 4-to-1.

"Now they have metal detectors," said Colahan, whose employee pass suffices in most places except the Olympic Village, located on the University of Utah campus. "It's like going through airport security. Now they have po-

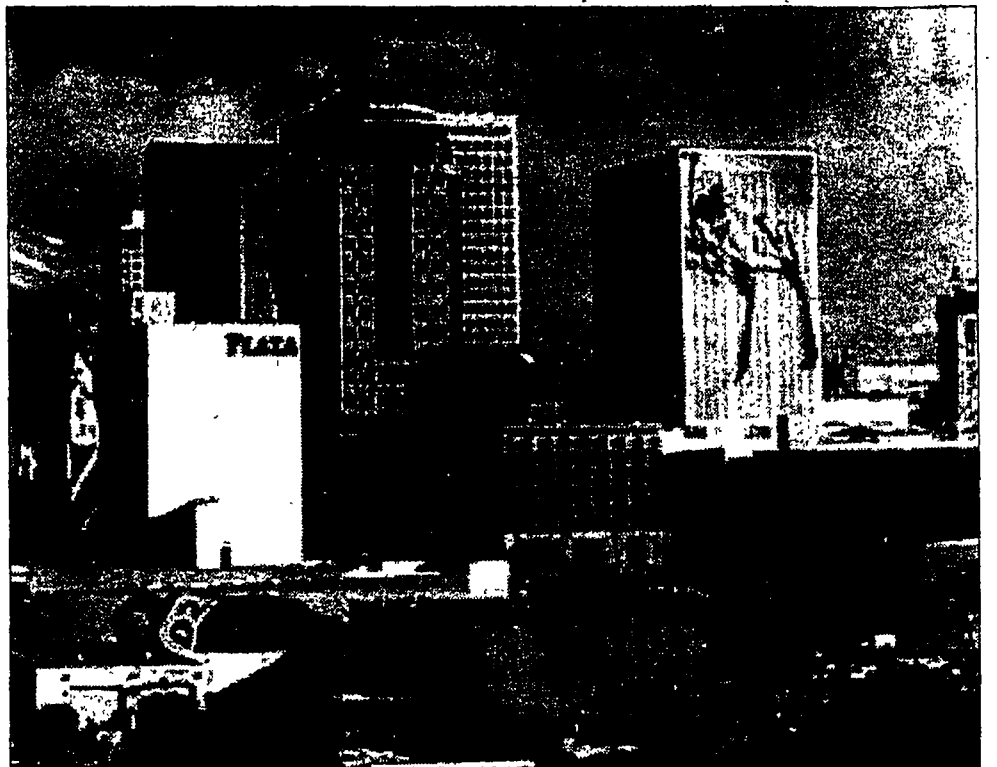
lice and the National Guard all over the place." Colahan said the most interesting part of his job has been seeing the competition venues in person.

"Just to see how everything's getting put together that you really don't see when you're watching on television is just sort of a neat thing to experience," he said.

Colahan has also caught glimpses of practice sessions for the U.S. teams in luge, ski jump and long-track speed skating.

While he will see figure skaters like Michelle Kwan fight for the gold medal, he won't see quite everything. Tickets were too expensive for the Feb. 8 opening ceremonies, which he will watch on television, just like the estimated 3.5 billion viewers worldwide.

"You can just feel it in the air," he said. "Everything is coming together at the last minute."



LAURA SCHAEFFER/SALT LAKE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

TWELVE TAPESTRIES of Olympic athletes hang on buildings in Salt Lake City.

Coverage of competition could reach 150 countries worldwide

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technical duties for about 10 of the 60 professional broadcasters in the Salt Lake Ice Center beginning on Saturday.

"We're not there as students, not as interns, not as coffee-runners," he said. "We're there with a specific job to do."

He will be expected to set up and tear down the broadcast systems, as well as solve any problems during broadcasts.

"A good day for us is when we can sit back and enjoy the games at the venue," he said.

International Sports Broadcasting will televise all 78 events — more than 900 hours

of live coverage — as a service to 80 rights-holding broadcasting companies, such as NBC, that rent studio space to deliver reports to their home. The footage could reach 150 countries and be aired in 60 languages.

Colahan will be paid an entry-level salary, but his job will allow him to view skating events that can cost up to \$400 a ticket.

Arriving in Salt Lake City Jan. 6, Colahan has spent the last few weeks working full-time as a utility employee setting up equipment and laying down wires at almost every competition venue. He will stay until at least March 16, when the 2002 Paralympic Winter Games for disabled athletes end.

Colahan decided on a broadcasting career after he spent three months producing a first-aid training video that helped him earn his Eagle Scout rank in May 1999.

"That was when I said, 'I want to do this,'" Colahan said. "I get to be creative, yet there is a technical side to it."

Two years ago he founded Seanermax Productions, his own video production business.

Colahan has worked on campus with classroom technology service through the Office of Academic Computing and Client Services since Spring 2001.

"He did his job superbly," said Field Services Technician Wili Crisp, Colahan's su-

pervisor. "I was very happy that he was taking advantage of this opportunity."

Colahan knew he wanted to apply for the Olympic job after watching the 2000 Summer Games from Sydney.

"It was sort of one of those far-out ideas, but I thought it would be cool since it was going to be in the U.S.," he said. "I'm a big skier, and I'm a big supporter of watching the Olympics as much as I can. It brings the world together in friendly and peaceful competition."

News Editor Ellen R. Stapleton wrote a similar version of this story for the Reading Eagle/Times newspaper.



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Hi-tech project to aid efficiency

BY MICHELLE THEIS
Staff Writer

More of the college's administrative business will be moved online in February after the initialization of Project Parnassus, a state-of-the-art human resource and financial application system.

According to the college's Parnassus Web site, the system will put more documents online to change the way the college provides administrative support services.

It will provide better access to information, said Edwin Fuller, director of the Office of Information Technology and manager of Project Parnassus.

Richard Chandler, director of administrative systems and technical team leader, said Parnassus would also improve business processes for greater administrative efficiency and significantly reduce the amount of paper flowing through the college.

"More importantly, it will offer more accurate and timely information to the college's faculty, staff and students," he said.

Students employed by the college will be able to control their employment information, such as bank account numbers and direct deposit information, Fuller said.

All employees of the college will be advised to participate in some form of training, Fuller said.

For some faculty and staff, this training will require little commitment because online self-service training will be available.

But for those who work with

large volumes of invoices, Pro Card transactions, quick-checks, requisitions, approvals and management operations, the responsibility will be more significant, Fuller said.

These faculty and staff will be asked to take in-depth classes conducted by Gillespie Associates of Rochester, an outside consulting firm hired by the college to acquaint frequent Parnassus users to the system.

Though students will not have to endure classroom training, they may wish to participate in online self-service training in order to learn how to better control the information that the college maintains about them, Fuller said.

After next week's trial run, a full training schedule will be posted on the college's Parnassus Web site, www.ithaca.edu/computing/parnassus.

The complexity of the Parnassus project means it will be implemented in stages, Fuller said.

College officials would not reveal how much the project will cost.

"The initial purchase price and effort are steep," Chandler said. "But in the long term, the college will save money."

Project Parnassus will be brought to the college through the software of the Oracle Corporation and the implementation consultation of the BOSS Corporation in collaboration with college faculty and staff.

The Project Parnassus team will hold an information session for college employees today in Emerson Suites from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

LATE NIGHT HEMP



IRINA PERESS/THE ITHACAN
FRESHMAN CASSANDRA STEPHENSON ties a hemp bracelet at the Habitat for Humanity table Friday night in Campus Center during IC After Dark, a program that offers free activities on weekends.

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New position targets abuse

Coordinator to address health risks

BY ELLEN R. STAPLETON
News Editor

Priscilla Quirk envisions a day when students walking across campus do not assume that everyone drinks.

"Sometimes there is a perception that all students drink lots, that all students are bingeing all the time and having all sorts of negative consequences," said Quirk, the college's first coordinator of health promotion and substance abuse prevention programs. "There is a good core of students who might have had negative experiences but might have learned from those."

Quirk, who lived in Ithaca until she completed ninth grade and has gone on to spend about 20 years working in substance abuse prevention, firmly believes that education can change the decisions people make about their health.

She settled into her office area near the Counseling Center at the beginning of the semester — a place that will serve as a resource room on health issues ranging from sleep deprivation to sexual health.

In previous jobs, she has trained secondary education teachers in substance abuse instruction. She watched as several teachers realized their own alcohol or drug problems after attending open Alcoholics Anonymous meetings.

"Some of those teachers went through life changes based on going through training," she said.

While she has not spent time counseling students with high-risk behavior, she said she has worked with others who overcame substance abuse to positively influence their peers.

Most recently, Quirk developed educational programs for the Newton public school system in Massachusetts.

After adjusting to the college-age population, Quirk should relate well to college students, said senior Kate Hiltz, the student member of the search committee.



KRISTIN SAMPIERE/THE ITHACAN

PRISCILLA QUIRK, the first coordinator of health promotion and substance abuse prevention programs, began her job in an office near the Counseling Center Jan. 21. The college last had a similar position in the 1994-1995 academic year.

"I was looking for someone who was personable and who was hip and upbeat enough to relate to students," she said. "Her knowledge of risk behaviors and different health-related behaviors that lead to the problems on our campus, specifically with alcohol and other drugs, will be really helpful to her here."

Quirk acknowledges the challenges of working with college students, especially their apathy toward the issue.

"I think a lot of students might say, 'I'm tired of hearing these things. I heard it all through high school. I'm on my own now and can make my own decisions,'" she said. "I don't want to bombard them with messages but make sure the messages are clear and come from concern."

That's why Quirk plans to establish a peer education program, in which students will teach fellow students about the risks of irresponsible alcohol consumption and drug use.

She also plans to build on programs like IC After Dark, which began in the fall, offering late-night entertainment and activities during the weekend on campus.

She hopes to investigate the possibility of holding Alcoholics Anonymous meetings on campus.

In addition, she is interested in scheduling an alcohol screening day as part of a national campaign in April.

She said she will also be working closely with the Health Promotion Committee to decide whether to conduct the Core Institute Center for Alcohol and Other Drug Studies survey before Spring Break. The survey, which was given to 1,200 students and 600 faculty and staff in Spring 1999, gathers statistics on the frequency of alcohol and drug use.

Quirk's appointment was one of nine recommendations made last spring by the President's Task Force on Alcohol and Other Drug

Abuse Prevention.

This marks the first time since the 1994-1995 academic year that the college has maintained a position solely devoted to substance abuse issues. A grant that funded a similar position expired then, and the position was cut from the budget in the downsizing process.

The board of trustees announced at its meetings last February Quirk's job would be back in the budget.

Lynne Pierce, associate director of the annual fund and chairwoman of the search committee, said she was impressed with Quirk's commitment and passion during interviews.

"She has the background we were looking for," Pierce said. "I felt she had a genuine commitment to the issues of prevention, education and engaging the entire community about changing the culture, which is what we're looking to do and needing to do."

BIOGRAPHY

Age: 47

Family: Husband and two sons.

Education:

- Bachelor's degree in community education, Friends World Program at Long Island University, Southampton, N.Y.

- Master's degree in health education, Boston University.

Employment:

- Assistant director, 10 years, Caspar Inc., a youth service facility in Somerville, Mass.

- Health education specialist, six years, public school system in Newton, Mass.

- Coordinator of Beverly J. Martin Elementary School family opportunity center, one year, Literacy Volunteers of Tompkins County.



CARLY CHAMBERLIN/THE ITHACAN

FRESHMAN BROOKE ALDRICH climbs aboard a TCAT bus by the Textor Ball Friday. Students can obtain reduced semester fares.

Faculty and staff to benefit from free TCAT bus passes

BY NICOLE GERRING
Staff Writer

In an effort to reduce the number of cars on campus, the college has worked out a deal with Tompkins Consolidated Area Transit to provide free passes for faculty and staff members, and a reduced fare for students.

Traffic Bureau Manager Lillian Tavelli said the faculty and staff bus passes had been scheduled for use beginning in mid-January. However, she said the software to read the passes on TCAT buses was not working properly.

The passes should be available sometime after Friday, Tavelli said.

"When the software works on the bus, and everything gets put together, we'll be able to issue them," she said.

The college will reimburse TCAT on a per-ride basis for faculty and staff who take advantage of the free passes.

Student bus passes cost \$80 a semester, reduced from their original \$110 price. The college is reimbursing Tompkins Consolidated Area Transit for the \$30 difference.

Thomas Salm, vice president for business and administrative affairs, said the parking permits now given to faculty and staff members' registered vehicles will include a ticket that can be read by TCAT buses in the near future.

Faculty and staff who do not drive vehicles must notify the Traffic Bureau whether or not they want to receive a bus pass.

The Traffic Bureau has extended faculty parking permits past their expiration date of Jan. 15, until the new passes are issued, Tavelli said.

Ithaca College Environmental Society and the Resource and Environmental Management Program have been working together on the bus pass plan as part of the Comprehensive Environmental Plan

adopted by the college last Earth Day.

Senior Anna Ehrlich, ICES member, said she thinks making the passes free would provide a greater incentive for students to ride the TCAT to campus. However, she said she agrees with the administration's choice to start out by giving faculty and staff free bus passes.

Freshman Katie Gray said she does not think the discounted bus passes offer much of an incentive to take public transportation.

"I believe the bus passes are overpriced," Gray said.

Salm said the college is testing the reduced fare, and further bus plans would depend on student response.

"Trying to encourage people to use public transportation has been a struggle in every community in this country," Salm said. "The problem is that, even if you made it free, would it change their behavior?"

Center seeks new director

BY EMILY PAULSEN
Staff Writer

Two candidates vying for the position of director of the Center for the Study of Culture, Race and Ethnicity visited the college this week.

Larry Shinagawa, associate professor and chair of the Department of American Multicultural Studies/Ethnic Studies at Sonoma State University, concluded his visit Monday with a presentation to a group of search committee members and others.

Carol Blackshire-Belay, professor and chairwoman of the Department of African and African-American Studies at Indiana State University, presented Wednesday.

The new director will play a role both as a faculty member and an administrator.

He or she will teach one class each semester, help in setting up five proposed multicultural minors, work on curricular and faculty development and obtain grants and funding for the center.

Monday's candidate

Shinagawa, who has bachelor's degrees in ethnic studies and soci-

ology and a master's degree in sociology, all from the University of California at Berkeley, described his personal experiences with culture, race and ethnicity and stressed the importance of cooperation and dialogue to teach multicultural awareness.

Shinagawa began his presentation by describing personal experiences with race issues, and the struggles and discrimination his Japanese family faced when placed in a U.S. internment camp during World War II.

"Race, culture and ethnicity have always affected me on a personal level," Shinagawa said. "Our family was divided by the circumstances of war. We were denied citizenship, like many people of color in this country, denied equal rights."

Shinagawa said he would work with the Office of the Provost and the Academic Policies Committee to incorporate multiculturalism across the curriculum.

He said he would work to create five minors, beginning with Native American studies, and eventually one major that would incorporate many different aspects of culture, race and ethnicity.

He also said recruiting students



CORINNE JACOBY/THE ITHACAN

LARRY SHINGAWA, center, speaks about his cultural background during his candidate presentation for the position of director of the Center for the Study of Race, Culture and Ethnicity.

and professors of color is a priority.

Wednesday's candidate

Blackshire-Belay, who has a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and master's degrees in Germanic linguistics from Ludwigs-Maximilians Universitat in Munich and Princeton University, stressed the impor-

tance of multidisciplinary and comparative approaches to studying diversity.

"It has been argued that the minute you have too many groups studied together, you run the risk of not studying any group enough," she said. "But that makes no sense unless you take the position that groups live in complete isolation. All of these groups are

part of a greater whole. People do not live in a world alone. We live in a world together."

Blackshire-Belay also said that students and their ideas will be crucial to developing the center.

"Students are very instrumental for us," she said. "We do need student representation, and we need diversity in that student representation."



NICHOLAS CASCIANO/THE ITHACAN

CAROL BLACKSHIRE-BELAY discusses the goals she would like to achieve and her plans for the students if hired as the director of the Center for the Study of Culture, Race and Ethnicity.

Barlas hopes to fill post and obtain office location

BY EMILY PAULSEN
Staff Writer

Associate Professor Asma Barlas, chairwoman of the Department of Politics, has served as director since the Center for the Study of Culture, Race and Ethnicity was created in 1999.

Barlas said when the center was created, she did not intend to be the permanent director.

"We didn't know when we'd be able to recruit a full-time person," she said. "But I think it was always understood that eventually there would be someone to do the job full-time."

Barlas said this is the second time the center's steering com-

mittee has performed a national search for a permanent director.

The first search, which was conducted last year, was unsuccessful because two semifinalists pulled out at the last minute and a third was unable to fill the position for multiple reasons.

Although the center does not have a physical location right now, Barlas said she hopes to see one created in the near future.

"We are hoping that the college realizes that you cannot have a commitment to having a center and then just merely have it as a conceptual thing," she said. "We really do desperately need space."

Students to protest at World Economic Forum

BY DAN GREENMAN
Staff Writer

When the world's most important business and government leaders convene at New York City's glamorous Waldorf-Astoria Hotel for the World Economic Forum this weekend, a number of Ithaca College students will be in the streets outside among the protesters.

The forum begins today and ends on Monday. The annual meeting usually takes place in Davos, Switzerland, but is being held in New York City this year to show support after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

It attracts several thousand of the world's top business and government leaders, academics and media moguls to discuss globalization, according to the World Economic Forum's Web site.

According to the Herald Sun (Australia), critics of the World Economic Forum say it favors big business and free world trade. They said it is inappropriate to hold such a forum in New York City, where thousands have been laid off, and the city is still recovering.

Junior Joey Cronen said he plans on driving to New York City on Friday to join the protests.

"A bunch of really influential people from big corporations are going to be meeting with government officials," Cronen said. "When meetings like that are going to take place, there should be more public involvement. The meetings

should be more open if they are going to be making decisions that will influence billions of people."

Senior Lucas Shapiro is traveling to protest the forum with a busload of Ithaca-area residents, organized by the Ithaca Coalition for Global Justice.

"I stand against policies that are generated at the World Economic Forum," Shapiro said.

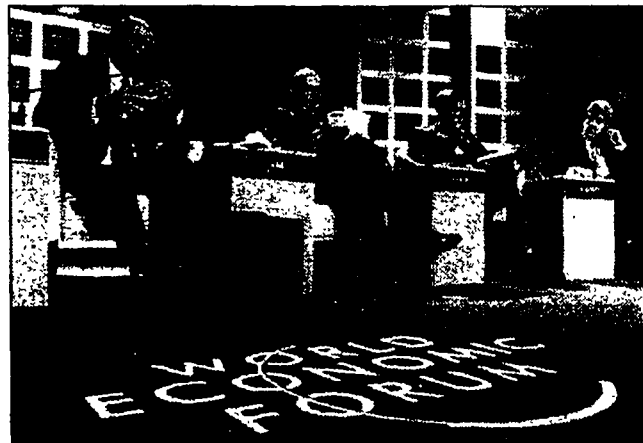
The forum, a nonprofit foundation funded by the contributions of 1,000 of the world's foremost corporations, supports global economic growth and social progress, according to the Web site.

Shapiro also said his main reason for going is to attend counter-conferences and to become more educated about the issues surrounding the forum.

Cronen and Shapiro both said they do not expect the protests to become violent or disruptive. However, an article that ran in the New York Daily News this week said the New York Police Department is expecting violent protest groups to show up and is assigning about 3,500 officers to patrol the forum.

Security will be a major issue, especially in a city that is still recovering from tragedy. There were also protesters when the forum was held in Switzerland.

"It can also be interpreted that they are thinking that the political and social climate of New York is a good place to meet without too much grassroots involvement," Shapiro said. "But it can also be a cynical move to take advantage of the condition of the city."



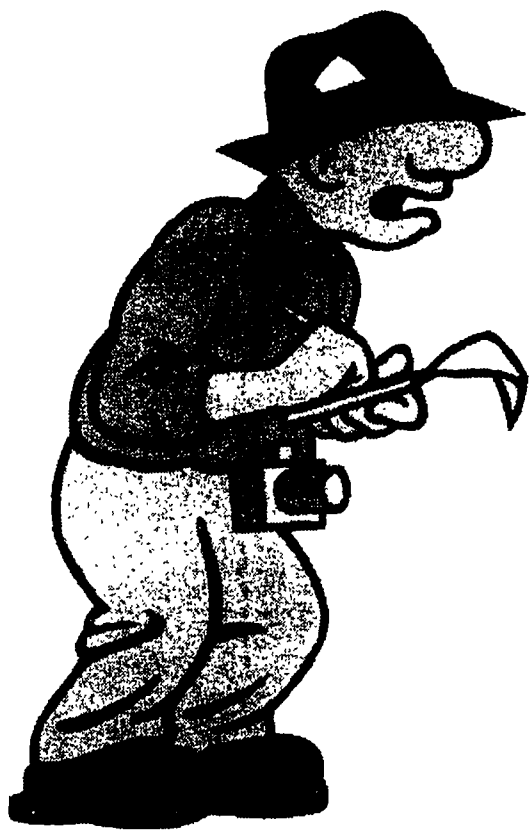
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MIKE MOORE, left, director-general of the World Trade Organization, Pascal Lamy, member of the European Commission, Martin Khor, director of the Third World Network, and Sen. John F. Kerry, D-Mass., discuss issues at the World Economic Forum in 2001.

Cronen said holding the forum in New York is a "nice gesture" but said it is still important for the protesters to attend.

"Regardless of the horrible, horrible things that happened there, I feel it's still our duty to show up and be present there," he said.

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Want more information? Come to an eRecruiting information session:

- February 6, 2002, 4:00 PM - Textor 103
- February 7, 2002, 12:10 PM - Textor 101
- February 12, 2002 - 12:10 PM - Textor 101

Jan. 15 – 22

Campus Safety Log Incidents

Jan. 15

• **Unlawful possession — marijuana**
Location: West Tower
Summary: While conducting New York State fire inspections, officer found drug paraphernalia in room. Residents will be interviewed upon return from break and may be judicially referred.
Sgt. John Federation:

Jan. 17

• **Aggravated harassment**
Location: B-lot
Summary: Caller reported a bias-related, homophobic sign on the windshield of a vehicle parked on campus. Sgt. Keith Lee.

• **Unlawful possession — marijuana**
Location: Lyon Hall
Summary: Staff member reported seeing marijuana on a dresser during room lock-ups at the start of break. Officer did not locate marijuana so the Residential Life staff member will refer residents judicially.
Sgt. John Federation.

Jan. 19

• **MVA**
Location: Tower Road
Summary: Caller reported being involved in a two-car, property-damage MVA on Gym and Tower Road.
Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

• **Assist other agency**
Location: Route 96B
Summary: TCSD requested assistance with two-car, property-damage MVA. Report was taken for TCSD.
Sgt. John Federation.

Jan. 20

• **Unlawful — post advertisement**
Location: Terrace 6
Summary: Caller reported unauthorized fliers were being placed under residents' doors by unknown person.
Patrol Officer Dirk Hightchew.

• **Criminal trespass**
Location: Terrace 12

Summary: Student reported that sometime during Winter Break, a student's room had been entered, and items had been broken and thrown around the room.
Patrol Officer Nathan Humble.

• **Follow-up investigation**
Location: Emerson Hall
Summary: Three students were judicially referred for theft of services after officer found Time Warner cable running between three rooms. Criminal charges are pending.
Sgt. John Federation.

Jan. 21

• **Disorderly conduct**
Location: Main entrance
Summary: Caller reported obstructions blocking the main entrance to the campus. Grounds personnel removed obstructions, and the roadway was cleared.
Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

• **Follow-up**
Location: Terrace 8
Summary: After a follow-up investigation, the officer spoke with student regarding illegal weapon found in student's room. One student judicially referred for possession of that weapon.
Patrol Officer Fred Thomas.

• **Larceny**
Location: Campus Center
Summary: Caller reported theft of cash from purse left at the union dining hall.
Patrol Officer Terry O'Pray.

• **Unlawful possession — marijuana**
Location: Terrace 2
Summary: Caller reported seeing three people smoking marijuana. Three students judicially referred for possession of marijuana.
Patrol Officer Fred Thomas.

Jan. 22

• **Conduct code violation**
Location: F-lot
Summary: During a vehicle stop, officer warned the driver for crossing the center line. The driver was also judicially referred

for underage possession of alcohol.
Patrol Officer Ryan Mayo.

• **Criminal tampering**
Location: East Tower
Summary: While conducting New York State fire inspections, officer found a smoke detector had been dismantled by occupants of the room. Residents judicially referred.
Environmental Health and Safety Officer Ronald Clark.

• **Criminal tampering**
Location: West Tower
Summary: While conducting New York State fire inspections, officer found occupants of three separate rooms had dismantled smoke detectors. Residents of three rooms judicially referred.
Environmental Health and Safety Officer Ronald Clark.

• **Criminal tampering**
Location: Terraces 8, 9 and 10
Summary: While conducting New York State fire inspections, officer found occupants of three separate rooms had dismantled smoke detectors. Residents of three rooms judicially referred.
Environmental Health and Safety Officer Ronald Clark.

• **Criminal possession — stolen property**
Location: West Tower
Summary: While conducting New York State fire inspections, officer found a "wet floor" sign from Terrace Dining Hall in a residence hall room. Two students judicially referred.
Patrol Officer Nathan Humble.

• **Criminal possession — stolen property**
Location: West Tower
Summary: While conducting New York State fire inspections, officer found an exit sign in a residence hall room. Two students judicially referred.
Patrol Officer Erik Merlin.

• **Criminal possession — stolen property**
Location: Terrace 11
Summary: While conducting New York State fire inspections, officer found lounge

furniture in a residence hall room. One student judicially referred.
Patrol Officer Erik Merlin.

• **Medical assist**
Location: Terrace Dining Hall
Summary: Caller reported a student had sustained a cut to the hand. Officers transported student to the Health Center.
Patrol Officer Erik Merlin.

• **MVA**
Location: F-lot
Summary: Caller reported a minor property damage MVA. Patrol Officer Erik Merlin.

• **Unlawful possession — marijuana**
Location: Terrace 3
Summary: Caller reported possible odor of marijuana in residence hall. Three students judicially referred for possession of marijuana.
Patrol Officer Fred Thomas.

• **Follow-up**
Location: Terrace 9
Summary: During a follow-up investigation, officer found two students in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia. Two students judicially referred.
Patrol Officer Fred Thomas.

• **Unlawful — post advertisement**
Location: Terrace 5
Summary: Caller reported unknown person had been putting unauthorized fliers under room doors. Sgt. John Federation.

KEY

ABC — Alcohol Beverage Control Law
CMC — Cayuga Medical Center
DWI — Driving While Intoxicated
IFD — Ithaca Fire Department
IPD — Ithaca Police Department
MVA — Motor Vehicle Accident
RA — Resident Assistant
TCSD — Tompkins County Sheriff's Department
V&T — Vehicle and Traffic Violation

Calendar of Events

Jan. 31 – Feb. 3

FOUR-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Today



Rain/Snow
High: 30°
Low: 27°

Friday



Rain/Snow
High: 37°
Low: 20°

Saturday



Flurries
High: 28°
Low: 14°

Sunday



Snow
High: 28°
Low: 16°

Courtesy of the Northeast Regional Climate Center at Cornell University.

TODAY

Young Democratic Socialist Event — Noon in Textor 101.

Plant Physiology Candidate — The Biology Department presents this seminar from 4 to 5:15 p.m. in the Center for Natural Sciences 112.

Community Service Network LEARN Meeting — 6 p.m. in Friends 208.

Artists Roundtable on the Handwerker Gallery Native American Art Exhibit — Discussion about "Sidekicks, Savages, and Other Anthropological Curiosities." 5 p.m. in Emerson Suites.

S.H.A.R.E. Benefit Concert — The concert will feature Native and non-Native performers, including the Thunder Lizards, Al Cleveland (flutist), Fancy Shawl dancers, Colleen Kattau and more. Donation is sliding scale. 7 p.m. in Emerson Suites, Campus Center.

IC Democrats Meeting — 8 p.m. in Friends 301.

SGA Campus Affairs Committee Meeting — 8 p.m. in DeMotte Room, Campus Center.

FRIDAY

Shabbat Services and Dinner — 6 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

SPORTS

Women's Basketball vs. Hartwick at 6 p.m.
Men's Basketball vs. Hartwick at 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

SPORTS

Women's and Men's Indoor Track and Field at Tufts Invitational at 10 a.m.
Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving at Union at 2 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. Utica at 2 p.m.
Men's Basketball vs. Utica at 4 p.m.
Wrestling at Wilkes at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Protestant Services — 11 a.m. in Muller Chapel. There will be a gathering time for refreshments preceding the service.

Catholic Mass — 1 and 9 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

SPORTS

Wrestling — Freshman and sophomore states at Cornell University at 10 a.m.

MONDAY

Plant Physiology Candidate — The Department of Biology hosts this seminar from 4 to 5:15 p.m. in Center for Natural Sciences 206.

Senior Class Cabinet Meeting — 7 p.m. in DeMotte Room, Campus Center.

SGA Academics Meeting — 7 p.m. in the Conference Room, Campus Center.

AMA Meeting — 8 p.m. in Textor 103.

Ithaca College Environmental Society (ICES) Meeting — 8 p.m. in Friends 203.

Karel Husa Concert — 8:15 p.m. in Ford Hall, Whalen Center.

CSN Special Events Meeting — 8:30 p.m. in Williams 221.

TUESDAY

Diversity Awareness Committee Recruitment Lunch — 12:05 p.m. in Friends 102.

Students for Women's Empowerment Meeting — 7:30 p.m. in Friends 303.

SGA Meeting — 8:15 p.m. in the North Meeting Room, Campus Center.

SPORTS

Women's Basketball vs. Elmira at 6 p.m.
Men's Basketball vs. Elmira at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

SGA Steering Committee Meeting — 7 p.m. in the Conference Room, Campus Center.

IC Unbound Organizational Meeting — For all dancers and choreographers. 7 p.m. in Textor 101.

SPORTS

Women's Swimming and Diving at William Smith at 7 p.m.
Gymnastics at Cortland at 7 p.m.
Wrestling vs. Cortland at 7:30 p.m.

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Editorials

Find new black voices

Every February, teachers around the country pull out posters of Langston Hughes, W.E.B. DuBois, Rosa Parks and Jackie Robinson and read the "I have a dream" speech for the thousandth time. Each one of these historical figures inarguably contributed something great to this nation and the world, but what about the countless other black Americans whose achievements remain hidden in the dusty pages of unread history?

How many tributes to Matthew Henson, the first person to set foot on the top of the world, appear? How well-known is the name of Percy Lavon Julian, who developed cortisone and perfected the mass production of sex hormones, paving the way for birth control pills? Or how about Carter G. Woodson, the founder of Black History Month? Contributions from these individuals and many others have shaped the world today, but their names remain in the shadows of the giants immortalized in textbooks.

Instead of repeating the same voices and the same stories, study should move beyond the standard repertoire of icons. Repetition is valuable — hearing the same thing again and again imbeds it in our minds and in our culture. But this reiteration alone is not enough, as it leaves little room for the birth of new heroes and ideas. The celebration becomes rote, even static, while beyond the bulletin boards and textbooks, the black community grows, diverges, fuses and mixes with the world in constant progression.

For example, the late Art Walker, a physicist, developed the technology to take the first X-rays of the sun's corona, greatly increasing scientists' understanding of solar flares. An Ithaca College alumnus, Michael Battle, is soon to serve as the U.S. Attorney General for Western New York, the first black to hold such a position in the state, outside of New York City.

Contemporary heroes, not just historical figures, need to be included in the celebration of black history, yet the image taught in schools remains stuck in a dream from the sixties. The past is important and should not be dismissed, but the present abounds with heroes too, and students must be aware of and celebrate the reality in which they live.

Circles parking pileup

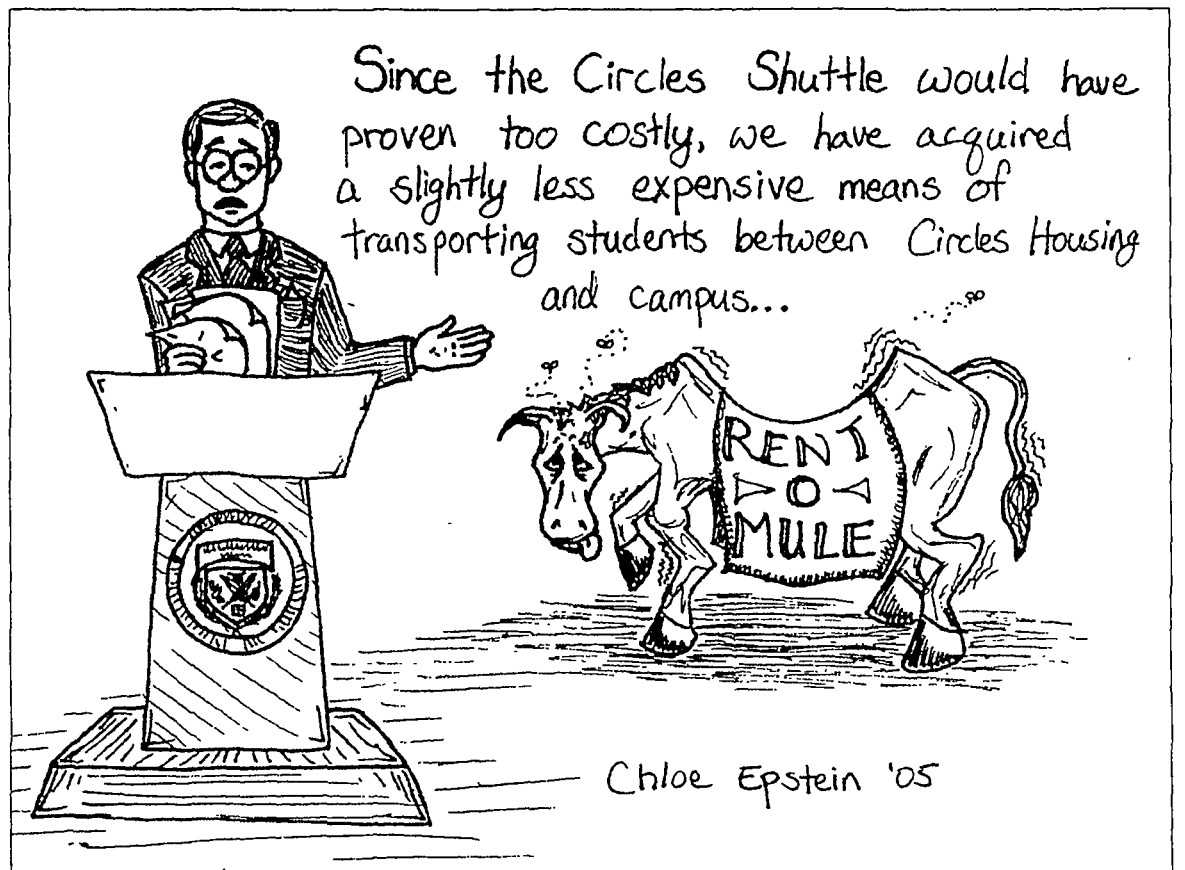
The college has finally moved forward on relieving campus parking congestion. Faculty and staff will now be able to take the TCAT bus for free, and students can get semester passes for \$80 instead of \$110. This overdue arrangement falls in line with part of the college's environmental plan aiming to encourage "modes of transportation that minimize environmental impact."

Other recent actions by the college, however, will counteract this progress and exacerbate the problem. Last week, the college announced that the College Circle Apartments, which will be on-campus housing next fall, will house up to 750 students, twice the number that currently resides there. Many students who live off-campus have cars, and those extra cars will have to be parked somewhere.

Also, students who currently live in the Circles often drive to class since the 25-minute walk can be daunting in the winter. TCAT buses do not stop there, making the reduced fares irrelevant for those students. Next fall, a fleet of cars from those apartments will assault the campus daily, as students will have no other reasonable means of getting to class on time.

A shuttle running from the Circles to Textor Hall would alleviate that burden, but Brian McAree, vice-president for student affairs and campus life, has said that option is too expensive. Students will be paying about \$2,000 more than current Circles rates, but we are told that this money will not be enough to provide a safe and environmentally sound way for them to get from their rooms to class. A college committed to creating a residential community and protecting the environment should, at the very least, ensure that students have reliable means of transportation. The Circles are too far from the heart of campus to expect students to trudge up and down the stairs in the dark, in the rain, in the snow, in the ice. Such a trek is more than just inconvenient — it is dangerous.

TCAT passes are only one step toward creating more space on cramped blacktop. A Circles shuttle is a necessity for the future residents of the apartments, and it would further the environmental plan. Any lesser measures merely pave over the problem.



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Another Angle

Triumphs of history outweigh misdeeds

President Bush closed Tuesday night's State of the Union Address with the following words: "We have known freedom's price. We have shown freedom's power. And in this great conflict, my fellow Americans, we will see freedom's victory."

Implicit in this stanza is the underlying premise that America is a laudable nation capable of carrying freedom's torch. This ideal clashes with the popular anti-America mantra on the Ithaca College campus. Seminars and lectures about Sept. 11 often turn into lists of American wrongs, an endeavor tantamount to blaming a rape victim for "asking for it." In short, students are persuaded to feel ashamed for ever being patriotic.



LUKE BROADWATER
Guest Writer

But these patriotic students ought not feel ashamed. There are, of course, two sides to every story, and the pro-America side isn't nearly as glum as some would have them believe.

To begin, during the Civil War, nearly 400,000 Northern soldiers died fighting to end slavery. These soldiers gave their lives for something greater than themselves. Did they all die in vain, supporting a despicable country? Is World War II, in which American troops took the lead against a hostile Nazi regime, an example that fits in the anti-America portrait?

To this day, whenever genocide emerges, and the United Nations decides it is time for intervention, which country sends the majority of the troops and carries the burden?

Consider also great American inventions and products: microchips, airplanes, artificial hearts and defibrillators are just a few. Is it realistic, in light of the above, to say that the United States is not a net



YOUNG AMERICANS LIKE Loren Nirumandrad, Tricia Nichols, Jaundrea Clay and Hugo Sanchez (left to right) have felt more patriotic since Sept. 11.

contributor to the world?

Germany, Italy, Britain and France were all brought out of the poverty of war by America. Americans have funded disaster relief projects on nearly every continent. All these countries owe the United States billions of dollars. Does the United States demand these countries repay it? Or does our government simply cancel the debt, knowing that good old John and Jane American taxpayer will make up the difference?

The average American gives away nearly \$1,000 a year, according to the American Association of Fundraising Counsel. After Sept. 11, the Red Cross alone collected about \$505 million and was recently forced to stop accepting funds because of the overabundance of giving. Does this sound like a nation of uncaring, selfish people?

If the United States is such a depraved place, why do immigrants from all over the world wish to come here? Why are the New York harbor and the Mexican border constantly bogged down with millions of people waiting to live in this country?

Certainly, there have been many American wrongdoings: slavery, oppression, war crimes, sexism, racism, etc. But let's have some perspective on America. The American "plus" column is much longer than its "minus" column.

Can America carry freedom's torch? The Frenchmen rescued in World War II, the countries that petition us for aid, and the Mexicans crossing our border seem to think so.

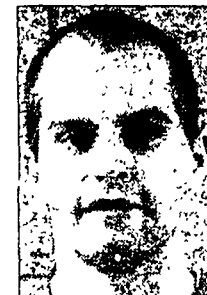
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Class Struggle

MARK FRANK

Dissenters' bravery mislabeled treason

Public discourse on U.S. foreign policy and domestic threats has been all but obliterated since Sept. 11. Exemplified by



President Bush's now famous words, "You are either with us or with the terrorists," those people who question the wisdom of U.S. policy have been labeled as terrorists.

On Nov. 11, the American Council of Trustees and Alumni issued a report that listed the names of academics along with 117 statements they made in public forums or classes that were critical of the War on Terrorism. The report later asked alumni to report similar instances to university administrations, calling college faculty the "weak link in America's response to the attack."

Unfortunately, we need look no further than Ithaca College to find alumni doing what the ACTA called for. Associate Professor Asma Barlas, chairwoman of the Department of Politics, wrote a piece for the "Ithaca College Quarterly" titled "Why Do They Hate Us?" In it, Barlas argues that many people hate the U.S. government for its actions in their countries, and a small minority are partially motivated by that to join extremist groups. She quotes a 1954 CIA memo that says: "[The United States is] facing an implacable enemy. There are no rules in such a game ... acceptable norms of human conduct do not apply ... [Americans must] support this morally repugnant philosophy." She asks how this is different from what the United States accuses its current enemies of doing.

After the "ICQ" appeared in late December, many alumni complained to the college for printing Barlas' article. Damon Linker '91 wrote to President Williams, "Just in case Ithaca College's alumni and trustees had any doubt that its faculty is composed of professors steeped in the decadent anti-Americanism that plagues so many of our nation's universities, [Barlas' article] clarifies things rather nicely." Linker continues by scandalously saying that her analysis is indistinguishable from that of bin Laden. He says she endeavors to "instill self-loathing in America's youth." (Did you hear that, fellow member of America's youth? We're being taught to loathe ourselves.) Most importantly, he states his refusal to donate, seemingly attempting to coerce IC into censoring its faculty.

Is this the way our country will respond to dissent, by name-calling, personal attacks, reporting to authorities, and by exercising power (i.e. withholding donations) to control discourse? If so, are U.S. soldiers dying to protect democracy or something more sinister?

Linker's message is simple: Barlas and others should not be teaching "America's youth." In this time of national duress, he and others may say we must acquiesce to authority for the good of the nation. Those people who try to question the motives or strategies of the nation are traitors of the worst degree. "American citizens have no obligation to support [Barlas or anyone who dissents]." Boy, this sounds hauntingly familiar to the policies of the Taliban.

Well, Mr. Linker, if a traitor, as you seem to label Barlas, is someone who has the courage to say something that originates from the heart, based on years of thought and research, then call me a traitor too.

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Debates and commentaries will appear in this spot weekly. To contribute, please call Opinion Editor Megan Tetrick at 274-3208.

The Way I See It

Left-wing rationale for Sept. 11 in error

Since Sept. 11, every sector of the political strata has sought to exploit the terrorist attacks to push their world view on a traumatized public by using the war on terrorism to fight old fights. Upon returning from Washington, D.C., I wasn't shocked to see more of the same coming from some of the left-wing establishment here on campus.

Associate Professor Asma Barlas, chairwoman of the Department of Politics, outlined the reasons the terrorists, and the populations that are sympathetic to them, oppose the United States in her article for the "Ithaca College Quarterly" titled "Why Do They Hate Us?" They are, she writes, U.S. Cold War policy, U.S. global domination of every area outside of Europe, the treatment of people around the world who are "sick and tired of being lifers in the prison of a global political economy based

on their systemic abuse, exploitation, expropriation and degradation," U.S. military actions around the world and U.S. support for undemocratic regimes, including Saudi Arabia. This is an impressive list. Of course, it does not correspond with reality at all. But then, the article wasn't about "why they hate us," it was about left-wing anti-Americanism.

The article is a betrayal of the trust placed in academics by students and alumni who read the Quarterly. Barlas has cynically attempted to take left-wing criticisms of U.S. foreign policy and ascribe them as the rationale for the terrorist attacks.

The Cold War is not responsible for Bin Laden. He supported it and viewed communism as a greater threat to Islam than the decadent West. The United States did not create the Mujahideen, as many erroneously claim. In truth, bin Laden, along with his mentor Sheikh Abdallah Yusuf Azzam, was forming the resistance to the Soviets before the United States started to help them with their efforts. Radical Islam is a backlash against the wealth, not poverty, brought to the Middle



SOPHOMORE KOSALA KUMARA speaks about the Sept. 11 attacks during a teach-in Sept. 18 in Textor 103.

East by trade with the United States. The war is not between the rich and the poor — it is a conflict between open societies and reactionaries fearful of Western values. This is why the hijackers were wealthy Saudis and not impoverished Palestinians. The average per capita income of people living in Saudi Arabia is \$32,000, tax-free, and they are hardly lifers in an economic prison based on their exploitation. Bin Laden and his cohorts oppose the government in Saudi Arabia but not because they aren't democratic. He has no desire to bring democracy there or anywhere else.

Our country was attacked because bin Laden believed he

could intimidate the United States, which he views not as strong but weak and cowardly, into withdrawing troops from Saudi Arabia. He wants them removed because he believes they are Western infidels defiling his holy land. It is his intolerance, then, that has brought about the deaths of thousands of innocent people, not ours. He also believes that oil should cost over \$100 a barrel and that the United States owes his people \$36 trillion dollars in back payments. I wonder who he thinks should collect. Funny how the real reasons just don't sound as good as Barlas' rationales.

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Students defy sex categories

BY TASHA KATES
Staff Writer

Freshman Adam Rogers defies categorization. He has a girlfriend, but he enjoys cross-dressing and shopping. He likes to watch the occasional action movie, but generally he prefers chick-flicks. Rogers was born male but identifies as female — he is transgender.

Transgender people like Rogers have “a basic core sense of gender that differs from what society expects of them because of their genitals,” said Lisa Maurer, coordinator of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender education outreach and services.

“They may feel as though their body doesn’t reflect their actual gender and may change or modify their body to better fit their gender identity,” she said.

Maurer said the last 50 years have brought more awareness to transgender issues.

According to the International Foundation for Gender Education’s Web site, “transgenderism is the practice of transgressing gender norms. A transgender person is someone whose gender display at least sometimes runs contrary to what other people in the same culture would normally expect.”

The foundation identifies three transgender categories. First, female to male are people who are born female but identify themselves as male. Second, male to female are people who are born male but identify as female. And third, intersexed, are people born with “some combination of male and female physiology” who may accept their mixed gender.

“There are transgender people everywhere in the world,” Maurer said. “And Ithaca College is included.”

Last summer Rogers re-examined his identity and found that he was transgender.

“I sat down and thought about who I was a lot during the summer,” he said.

Rogers said he believes his gender identity cannot be constrained by society. For him, transgenderism is a way of defying those constraints and being himself.

“To me transgenderism is: Although I’m male, I firmly believe I would be better suited as female,” he said.

“Everyone should be accepting,” he said. “I don’t appreciate close-minded people, but I accept them for who they are.”

He said his search for gender identity goes back further than last summer.

“I got along better with girls in high school than with guys,” he said. “Their activities were more fun to me. We went swimming and shopped for clothes a lot. The guys would just play their guitars and video games all day. I just didn’t relate.”

Transgender Challenges

Rogers said he hopes people can learn to accept who he is.

“As long as I feel that I am female, people near me need to understand that I am established that way,” he said. “I’m not going to change for anyone.”

Rogers said when he was in high school, he felt constrained because people were closed-minded. He was beaten-up because he was different, but now that he is on his own at college, he has found a more accepting environment and has felt free to be himself.

However, he said his mannerisms, his lisp and his hobbies sometimes lead to intolerance.

“For the most part, people [at college] have been pretty accepting,” he said. “I tell people that I am transgender if they ask. I don’t feel repressed here, though. Ithaca College made it quite clear that there is a very friendly atmosphere here, and [bias-related incidents] won’t be tolerated.”

Maurer said Ithaca College mandates that all students are treated respectfully, no matter what gender, race, ethnicity or sexual orientation they are.

“[The policy] doesn’t include someone with a different gender identity, but transgender students are being treated well,” Maurer said.

“I identify as transgender because I feel that I cannot effectively express myself within the confines of one gender or another,” Halberstadt said. “It just doesn’t make sense for me to limit myself in that way. And I find that the process of redefining my gender in such a way that it suits me, and not the rest of the world, has been an immensely empowering and liberating experience.”

Halberstadt, the co-president of BiGayLa, said she has encountered both confusion and criticism as a result of her gender identity. She said confusion can be cleared up with “positive, educational dialogue” about what transgenderism is and what it’s like to be transgender, while attacks on her identity can only be remembered as “disrespectful, insulting and painful.”

She said it is time for Ithaca College to join other universities around the country by adding a mandatory diversity requirement for all students, as well as adding “gender identity” in the Ithaca College Anti-Discrimination Policy.

“Transgender students and staff are not protected by the ‘sex’ or ‘sexual orientation’ clauses in the policy,” she said.

Groups such as BiGayLa are working to protect transgender students and help educate the community.

Junior Aaron Kaufman, BiGayLa publicity coordinator, said although there aren’t specific programs for transgender students, the information is available.

“There are people in the organization that are transgender,” Kaufman said. “They are always sources. If someone would ask for information at one of the meetings, someone would help them find it.”

Kaufman stressed that BiGayLa is a group that is part social and part educational and the focus on different aspects of sexuality, culture and religion do not exclude transgender students.

LGBT student resource center also offers information about what transgender is and what problems a transgender student might face, as well as other similar educational pro-

grams and services. It is located on the ground floor of the Hammond Health Center.

Groups are raising awareness not only through information, but with the power of speech as well.

“I am overjoyed that we are going to have a number of transgender speakers coming to campus in the next few months,” Halberstadt said.

Paisley Currah and Shannon Minter, co-authors of “Transgender Equality: A Handbook for Activists and Policymakers,” will speak tonight at 7 p.m. in the Park Hall Auditorium.

Currah and Minter’s book ranges from a historical overview of the 1975 non-discrimination law and surveys recent events pertinent to transgenderism. It also details the passing of laws and ordinances affecting transgender people.

Halberstadt said in her eyes, Ithaca College has taken the first step in raising awareness and acceptance for transgender students.

Maurer said she feels it is worth it for every student to attend the lecture.

“If society gets a broader view of the complexity of transgender people through the speech, then it will be enriching for every one,” she said.

Halberstadt said she agreed.

“This is the most important step — allowing and encouraging room for education, self-exploration and discussion,” she said.



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FRESHMAN ADAM ROGERS is a transgender student. Two experts will be discussing transgender rights today at 7 p.m. in Park Auditorium.

Global warming may limit winter activities

BY ELIZABETH MCELLIGOTT
Contributing Writer

The usually snowy caps of the Greek Peak Mountain Resort are looking uncharacteristically dry this season. Patches of dirt and grass can be seen from afar while sheets of ice cover the rest of the mountain. Employees are hard at work operating grooming equipment to produce sufficient amounts of snow for skiing.

Winter 2002 is in the running for history's second warmest, next to the record-breaking winter of 1998.

Sophomore Nathan Best, treasurer of the Ithaca College Environmental Society, often visits Greek Peak to snowboard. He went out Friday but fell down due to the icy conditions. It was a beautiful day on Sunday as well, but he said he didn't go out because it was so warm.

Allen Kryger, president of Greek Peak, said he hasn't experienced a cold winter in five or six years. He said that sales at Greek Peak aren't being directly effected currently, but "without snow making we wouldn't be open."

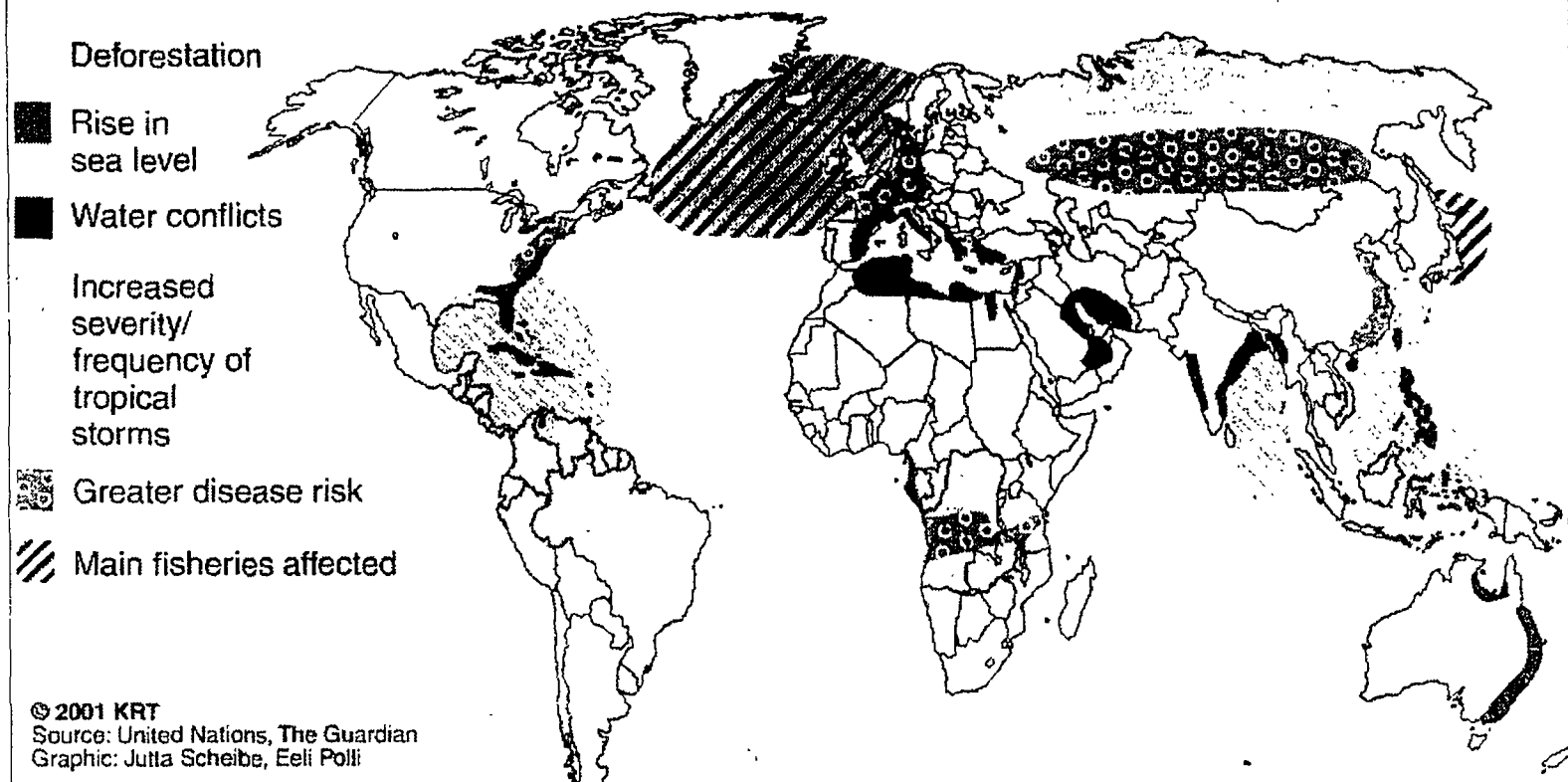
Crowds of people anxiously waited in line to ski and snowboard this past weekend. The warmth the sun provided seemed to draw in more crowds to Greek Peak's unusually bare mountains.

Kryger said casual skiers are more affected by the weather than skiers with season passes. Casual skiers will continue to go for two or three days, but if the weather continues for another week, they'll stop coming.

He also said the warm weather is creating slightly higher accident rates. Gliding down the slopes through air that is consistently cool and calm tempts people to ski later and longer into the night. The fatigue people experience causes them to run into more sprains and

Future global warming effects

The world in the 2050s, assuming current trends in business and environmental policies continue:



A GRAPHIC SHOWS the potential effects of global warming on the Earth's environment if government and business policies remain the same.

injuries, he said.

Assistant Professor Nancy Jacobson, biology, said some studies have linked the pattern of global warming with recent abnormally warm weather patterns.

"Scientists are trying to make models that reflect how the climate works," she said. "They model natural causes like fluctuation in temperature, but with the recent temperature changes, it doesn't match the model. When they add carbon dioxide and burning fossil fuel, then it matches."

There is a great deal of uncertainty in attributing the rising climate to global warming. No one

knows exactly how much the climate is going to rise, but certain predictions made by scientists are starting to come true.

Since the United States withdrew from the Kyoto Protocol, it has become a large part of the problem, Jacobson said.

From the global to the local, Ithaca College sports are also being affected by the lack of snow. "We haven't gone out at all this season," said Assistant Coach Mary Wallenbeck, cross-country ski instructor. "One day we got snow, but then it was all gone by the time we were going to go out."

Students who enrolled in General Instructional Program in Physical

Education skiing and snowboarding classes have had to deal with the unseemly temperatures.

"We have had no chance to hold class," Assistant Coach Mark Raymond said. "Last year we experienced similar circumstances. We won't cancel the class, but we will have to make up the time with videos. We're trying to make the most out of it, but I know that it's warmer nowadays than when I was a kid."

Other professors are questioning the validity of global warming in explaining the warmer temperatures.

"I don't believe that it is attributed to global warming," said Assistant Professor Fenwick Faulkner, chair-

man of GIPPE program. "This happens every twenty years."

On its Web site, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change challenges the assumptions about global warming and its link to the changing weather conditions. Although there is no concrete evidence that the warm weather can be attributed to global warming, the rise in temperature is certainly raising suspicions.

"I was driving down the lake the other day, and I saw 10,000 Canadian Geese starting to migrate now," Best said. "They should have left months ago. The weather is messing up the earth's natural rhythm."

Appreciating cultures though tribal customs

Powwow dancing educates about American Indians

BY EMILY BROWN
Staff Writer

Despite a history of persecution and dispossession, American Indians have persevered in maintaining their cultural identity.

American Indian culture did not die out with the last buffalo. It has continued to evolve and attract the attention of students like sophomores Daniel Sender and Jessica Pagan. Both students have learned unique forms of Native American dance.

Sender is part of a Venture crew, a program started by the Boy Scouts of America that is dedicated to the study of American Indian culture and dance.

Though he is not of American Indian descent, Sender has spent countless hours learning Northern Traditional Powwow dancing and making the regalia he wears when he competes.

"What makes it so interesting is we're out of the loop," Sender said. "We're not trying to pretend to be Native Americans, but in a respectful way, [we're] getting involved and learning about the culture."

In the last century, a new aspect of American Indian culture has evolved — the intertribal powwow. Many different tribes participate in these powwows, and new dances have developed through the unique combination of cultures.

Pagan is of American Indian descent. She was initiated into the Tiano tribe at the age of 13 and started dancing the year after. At

intertribal powwows, she does Fancy Shawl dancing, a dance which she estimates has developed only in the last 20 to 30 years.

"Fancy Shawl is usually described as the dance of the butterfly," Pagan said.

The women start with their shawls wrapped around them and gradually open them up, representing a butterfly coming out of its cocoon.

"At intertribal powwows, none of the dances are from one specific tribe," Pagan said. "They're kind of a mixture of everything."

The styles of certain dances and dress are constantly changing.

"It's a 'what's hot and what's not' kind of thing," Sender said.

However, other aspects of the ceremony remain the same. Participants always enter from the same direction and always walk around the arena in the same direction — even if it would be shorter to walk the other way.

"It's an experience like no other," Sender said. "At the grand entry, the drum starts thudding, the singers start wailing, and everyone is dressed in amazing colors and moving at the same time in the same direction. The sound thuds against your chest. As a young person, 13 or 14, I was floored."

The powwows feature a color guard of American Indians who have served in the military, head dancers who have earned their honorary title by years of dancing and drummers who keep the beat with both their in-



COURTESY OF JOHN GRANZDOL

SOPHOMORE DANIEL SENDER, third from left, stands dressed in his regalia before a powwow. He said he dances because it is a way of respecting American Indian culture.

struments and their voices. There are also vendors selling shells, fur, feathers and other decorations for dancers to add to their garb.

There are many kinds of dances, from stately sacred dances, which are deeply rooted in tradition, to flashy routines that are all about attracting attention. The regalia are an important aspect of any dancer's performance and often include dangling decorations and fringe that sways with every move.

"The idea is to have everything on you swaying at the same time, and everyone moving in the same flow, in the same direction," Sender said.

Both Sender and Pagan said they believe the community has a lot to learn from American Indian culture.

"When you study Native Americans in high school, you learn that they got their land taken away — and that's a huge part of their history," Sender said. "But because of that they created a whole new culture. There's so much more to learn. Why don't teachers say, 'Let's go look at what's going on in Native American culture now?' History isn't just what happened 200 years ago. It's what happened last month, what happened yesterday."

"I think it's great that people are trying to help because it's hard to rebuild a culture that was destroyed for so many years," Pagan said. "There are always new traditions being made. Not all traditions can be continued."

Getting spooked with 'Daly'

Roots-rock band hopes to make waves with new album



COURTESY OF DANGER ARTISTS

THE BAND SPOOKIE DALY PRIDE will be performing at the Haunt on Feb. 8. The show is for those 18 years old and up and tickets are \$8. Spookie Daly Pride has opened for big name acts like Kid Rock and the Foo Fighters. They are currently on tour promoting their first album.

Spookie Daly Pride is a new band led by keyboardist and lead singer Spookie Daly. The band's non-stop touring and infectious grooves have built a strong fanbase from Colorado to Killington, and they have opened for Kid Rock, the Foo Fighters and Busta Rhymes. Spookie Daly Pride will be playing the Haunt on Feb. 8 to promote its first album "Marshmallow Pie." Assistant Accent Editor Sean Fennessey recently got the chance to interview Daly.

Describe your style of music.

Well, I think it's kind of like a roots-based, American kind of music. Actually, it could be even greater than that. It's a kind of world music. You could hear it on American popular radio, but there are definitely a lot of influences that go beyond American popular music. I can't really pinpoint a particular thing that it is.

Who can you best compare Spookie Daly Pride to?

No one specifically, just a whole bunch [of stuff].

Who are your major influences, musical or otherwise?

Our influences kind of range from all over the place, from Louis Prima to Sublime to old Run D.M.C. to some earlier [Rolling] Stones stuff.

Why did you start the band?

It started as a solo project. I was recording some songs with a producer, and he started bringing musicians in to lay the tracks down, and people just started jumping on board. We became a band after a while, and we've been a band for a couple of years now.

What are your expectations for the tour and your record's release?

Basically, for the tour, which is going to last for the rest of the year, on and off and the record, this is our first record. We're just trying to get the name out there and get people out to the shows. The shows are really a kind of joyful experience, and if people are coming to them, then

they're coming back. So, we're using the record to get people to the shows.

What other areas do you plan on visiting? Any major cities?

Well, I'm in Boulder, Colo., right now. This tour went through Killington, Vt.; Rock Island, [Ill.]; Chicago, St. Louis [and] Springfield, Mo. Now, we've got five stops in Colorado — in Denver, Durango, Grand Junction and Boulder. Then we're going to Columbus, Ohio, with the Dirty Dozen Brass Band. Then it's off to Syracuse and Ithaca. We're all over the Northeast and then out to the West and back.

Can you explain the name Spookie Daly Pride?

Well, my name is Spookie Daly and Pride as in a pride alliance. My grandfather's name was a Gaelic name. It was Spookalicious. And that's where the name comes from. For short, I'm Spookie.

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DANA SCHNEIDER
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Hometown: Salem, Ore.

What is one secret you've been keeping from your friends? That I like to parachute off houses in the summer.

If your life were a Disney movie, what would it be? This wannabe surfer boy gets lost in the Costa Rican rain forest and finds a volleyball — Wilson!

What do you find is the best way to relax? Watching BET, listening to Maxwell, getting back massages, going to foreign countries.

What are you looking forward to in 2002? A car, graduating, an exciting internship, my sister's graduation, my 24th birthday and another good album by 2Pac.

If you were invited to the People's Choice Awards who would you take? Anna Kournikova, Jennifer Aniston and Julia Roberts.

If you could tell President Peggy Williams one thing, what would you tell her? That we need more parking spaces. Although, I don't drive, so it probably doesn't matter.

If you had your own country what would it be like? Lots of palm trees, very diverse people, girl-to-guy ratio 10-1, lots of sand, dance clubs better than O'Leary's, a library filled with Pablo Neruda poems.

Do you have any incredible invention ideas? Whoever goes to college has a 1 in 2 chance of winning a car.

Accent Briefs

American Indian group to hold benefit concert

Tonight at 7 p.m. in Emerson Suites, Strengthening Haudenosaunee-American Relations through Education will be having a winter benefit concert featuring flutist Al Cleveland, the Thunder Lizards, Fancy Shawl Dancers, Route 5, Colleen Kat-

tau & Friends and others.

Prior to the concert, the Handwerker Gallery will have an artists roundtable with Zenja Hyde, Dave Hill and Tom Huff on the art exhibit "Sidekicks, Savages, and Other Anthropological Curiosities" at 5 p.m.

S.H.A.R.E is a non-profit organization dedicated to education on American Indian issues.

For more information on these events call 274-3326 or 274-1735.

Popular dance act to perform at Odyssey

A didgeridoo dance/trance act called Dr. Didg will be performing at the Odyssey Thursday as part of their tour of upstate New York.

The band members are Graham Wiggins (a.k.a. Dr. Didg) on the

didgeridoo and keyboards; Mike Weafer on bass; Mark Greenberg on drums; and a special guest guitarist.

Ten years ago Wiggins spent three months in a remote Aboriginal settlement in Australia.

He has performed with such notable acts as The Grateful Dead, Mickey Hart, The String Cheese Incident, Leftover Salmon, Vinyl, Keller Williams, The Recipe and The Radiators.

Dr. Didg's Ithaca performance at the Odyssey is for people 18 years and older. The show begins at 10:30 p.m., and tickets are \$8. For show information call 256-0182.

Powerful play featured at community center

"Dream-Man," a play written and directed by Derrick Rowser,

is playing at the Southside Community Center. The play is about a man who perseveres through tough love to understand the possible results of betrayal. Rowser blends humor and drama to create his story.

Performances of "Dream-Man" are Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$8 at the door and are available at Southside (273-4190), the Greater Ithaca Activities Center (272-3622) and Bools Flower Shop (272-8410).

The Southside Community Center is located at 305 S. Plain St. between Corn and Fayette Streets.

Library to host musical about race into space

The Hangar Theatre's Touring

Program will present "Footprints on the Moon," a musical about the race to space, at the Tompkins County Library's Borg Warner Community Room on Sunday. The play is recommended for children in grades K-6. For more information contact Sally Grubb at 272-4457 ext. 281.

Student Activities Board will feature slam poetry

The Student Activities Board will present a slam poetry performance with Flowmentalz to celebrate Black History Month. Flowmentalz have appeared on HBO's Def Poetry and combine a hip-hop feel and poetry reading. The free event is Monday at 8 p.m. in the Coffeehouse, Campus Center.

Professors have Georgia on their minds

BY FU NANG LEE
Contributing Writer

Khatuna Kveseleva and Tamar Bokuchava strode slowly into the sun-lit lounge and sat down together. They giggled as they tried to ignore the photographer taking their picture.

The two academics are professors from Georgia — the country, not the state. They are on a teaching exchange with the Open Society Institute Faculty Development Program Foundation.

Though English is not their first language, they speak with ease and comfort in their adopted tongue.

While recounting her experiences in Ithaca, Bokuchava lit up with a warm smile.

"The community at Ithaca is so international," Bokuchava said. "The people here are so friendly. Even when I was walking in the streets, people are greeting and smiling at me."

Bokuchava has been in Ithaca for one semester while Kveseleva has just arrived for this spring semester.

Kveseleva said she also likes it here in Ithaca even though she has only been here a few days.

"Everything is so accessible here and it is a great opportunity to develop my courses," Kveseleva said. "Many people don't seem to know where Georgia is. Some of them even think I'm Spanish."

Bokuchava and Kveseleva's home of the Republic of Georgia was formerly under the iron rule of the Soviet Union for over 70 years.

Georgia has a population of 5 million and is about the size of Missouri. It borders Turkey and Armenia to its south and is nestled between Russia on the east and the

Black Sea to its west. Most people either speak Georgian or Armenian while some speak Russian. Since gaining independence in 1991, Georgia's rich cultural traditions have supported the liberal changes and development to the country and its system.

Bokuchava has been teaching theater and drama studies at the Georgian State Institute of Theatre and Cinema and is already in the second year of her exchange program.

Under the program, she spends two semesters at her home university and another two in Ithaca with her mentor Associate Professor Jack Hrkach, theatre arts.

Kveseleva was a television journalist back home, and she hopes to teach the history of journalism, politics and journalism, and news writing. Her home university is the State University of Language and Culture of Georgia. While she is in Ithaca, Professors Christopher Harper, television and radio, and Jo Ann Caplin, television and radio, are her mentors.

Bokuchava and Kveseleva said they came to Ithaca partly because they love to travel and want to gain new knowledge about American culture.

"It was such a spontaneous decision," Bokuchava said. "I have always been interested in the United States, in American theater and drama, and there have always been close relations between Georgia and the U.S. I think it is a great opportunity both professionally and personally."

Kveseleva, having been a television journalist for many years, she thinks the United States is the place to be for media professionals.

"If you want to be professional in media, you have to go to the United States," Kveseleva said. "Georgian media is newly developed and heavily influenced by the U.S. media, so I come here to take the theoretical basis and apply to my teaching back in Georgia."

Missing home is the price they pay for leaving Georgia. Bokuchava keeps in touch with

her family and her students back home via phone and e-mail.

Kveseleva said she misses her evenings in Georgia's capital, Tbilisi, hanging out with her friends.

Aside from memorabilia from home, Kveseleva and Bokuchava turn to each other for friendship.

"I know I am supposed to speak

in English in order to improve upon it, but I tend to speak in Georgian when I miss home," Kveseleva said.

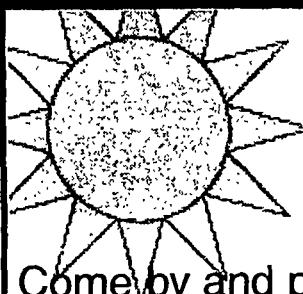
Both Kveseleva and Bokuchava will be leaving Ithaca on May 22. Kveseleva expects to be back in Ithaca next January, while Bokuchava is waiting to see if her program will be extended a third year.



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TAMAR BOKUCHAVA and Khatuna Kveseleva are visiting professors from the Republic of Georgia.

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**Cinemapolis
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The Royal Tenenbaums —
7:15 p.m. and 9:35 p.m.,
2:15 p.m. and 4:35 p.m.
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9:35 p.m., 2 p.m. and 4:35 p.m.
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9:40 p.m., 2:15 p.m. and
4:40 p.m. (Saturday and Sunday matinees)

Kandahar — 7:15 p.m. and
9:35 p.m., 2:15 p.m. and
4:35 p.m. (Saturday and Sunday matinees)

Amelle — 7 p.m. and 9:35
p.m., 2 p.m. and 4:35 p.m.
(Saturday and Sunday matinees)

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Birthday Girl — 12:25 p.m.
2:35 p.m., 4:50 p.m., 7:10 p.m.,
9:20 p.m. and 11:15 p.m.

The Mothman Prophecies —
1:05 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:35 p.m.,
9:05 p.m. and 11:20 p.m.

Kung Pow: Enter the Fist —
12:55 p.m., 2:55 p.m., 4:55 p.m.,
7 p.m., 9 p.m. and 11 p.m.

The Count of Monte Cristo —
12:50 p.m., 3:50 p.m., 6:50 p.m.
and 9:50 p.m.

A Walk to Remember —
1 p.m., 3:40 p.m., 9:15 p.m. and
11:25 p.m.

Black Hawk Down —
12:25 p.m., 3:25 p.m., 6:40 p.m.
and 9:40 p.m.

Snow Dogs — 12:30 p.m.,
2:45 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:15 p.m.,
9:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.

Orange County — 12:35 p.m.,
2:40 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:05 p.m.,
9:10 p.m. and 11:05 p.m.

The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring —
12:30 p.m., 4:15 p.m. and 8 p.m.

A Beautiful Mind — 12:40 p.m.,
3:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9:25 p.m.
and 12:05 a.m.

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Zoolander — 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
and midnight, 3 p.m. (Sunday)
and 8 p.m. (Monday)

The Ithacan Rating System
★ Poor
★★ Fair
★★★ Good
★★★★ Excellent



COURTESY OF WARNER BROTHERS

RICHARD GERE and Laura Linney star in the new thriller "The Mothman Prophecies." The movie, which is about a Washington Post journalist whose life takes a downward spiral after the death of his wife, opened a disappointing sixth at the box office last weekend.

Thriller can't get things in Gere

BY GARRETT ROCKWELL
Staff Writer

In 1964, inexplicable events of sheer horror began to unravel. An eight-foot-tall apparition with burning red eyes terrorizes a small West Virginia town, aptly named Point Pleasant. The encounters started to create a widely-told story and a name to a mystery known only as the Mothman.

"The Mothman Prophecies," a film directed by Mark Pellington ("Arlington Road"), loosely follows the true events of the so-called Mothman mythos.

Richard Gere (of gerbil fame) stars as John Klein, a Washington Post professional whose life spins dangerously out of control after the death of his wife Mary

(Debra Messing), pushing him closer and closer to the Mothman.

One night, a bereaved Klein goes for a drive and falls into a sort of trance, in which he unknowingly travels 400 miles to Point Pleasant. There he meets a slew of oddball characters and, of course, a new love interest played by Laura Linney ("The Truman Show"). The Mothman then takes on a name, Indrid Cold, and becomes a prophet of sorts, telling Klein and others of future catastrophes.

To put it bluntly, this movie is bad. The film is based on a true urban legend, which is one of the most endearing horror stories the world has to offer. It is hard to imagine that anyone is capable of botching a ghost tale like the Mothman. I blame Richard Gere. It is quite possible that his mere presence was enough to destroy this movie.

In any event, "The Mothman Prophecies" will chew up your \$8 and spit it back out at you.

The story rarely involves the Mothman and seems intensely more focused on the love story between Linney and Gere, which in the context of a supposed horror movie, is laughable at best.

Because of the completely boring dramatic interplay between characters, the movie moves at a mind-numbingly slow pace. The longest two hours of your life will be spent in torturous theater seats, watching Richard Gere act interesting. Please heed this warning. It may very well save your sanity.

To be fair, the Mothman scenes were actually quite amazing (all four of them). Mark Pellington is a phenomenal director, who only needs a talented scriptwriter to take him by the hand.

Pellington is responsible for all

the old short animations and films that made MTV cool back in the '80s. He is also responsible for the groundbreaking "Jeremy" video for Pearl Jam.

Throughout "The Mothman Prophecies," Pellington spices up the screen with intense camera shots and innovative uses of light and shape. But unfortunately, with such a cheesy story, there is no hope in avoiding the boredom of the audience.

The Web site for the film is more interesting, as it delves deep into the true story of the Mothman. If you are looking to experience the real terror of Mothman, then turn off the lights some night and read the story.

"The Mothman Prophecies" was written by Richard Hatem, directed by Mark Pellington and produced by Gary W. Goldstein and Gary Lucchesi. The film stars Richard Gere.

A cinematic journey into the war zone

BY MARY SNAUFFER
Staff Writer

"Kandahar" is not important to see for its cinematic merit but for its timely and rare glimpse into the hopeless lives of the people of Afghanistan.

Directed by renowned Iranian filmmaker Mohsen Makhmalbaf, "Kandahar" was filmed in Iran along the Afghan border in 2000.

This film is a tale of an Afghan emigrant living in Canada who has only days to travel to Kandahar from Iran to save the life of her native Afghan sister, who has confided she will kill herself during the last eclipse of the 20th century. In a role inspired by her own true story, Niloufar Pazira plays Nafas, who travels to the border, witnessing the silent horrors and faceless women of the Middle East.

It is quite evident that the actors are amateurs, and most of the script is improvised. However, the images the film presents are not.

Pazira stops at a Red Cross in search of a guide to accompany her since it is impossible for a woman to travel alone. The Red Cross is spilling over with Afghans crippled by landmines. Unexpectedly, several pairs of prosthetic legs are dropped from a Red Cross plane. It is difficult to forget the scene of legless victims racing to the falling parachutes.

An English-speaking doctor, who has devoted his life to find God in Afghanistan, travels with Pazira and explains to her the ways of the country. "Weapons are the only modern thing in Afghanistan," he tells her as he prepares for their trek to the border.

One of the hardest things to watch in the film is the people starving and dressed raggedly, carrying semi-automatics. These images



COURTESY OF FINE LINE FEATURES

"KANDAHAR" TELLS THE STORY of an Afghan-Canadian journalist who travels to war-torn Afghanistan to search for her sister.

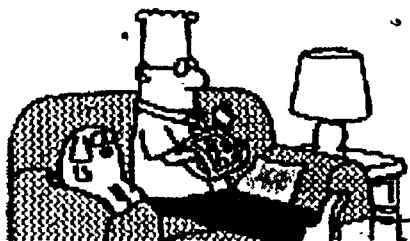
are much harder to swallow now knowing that these are the fighters America is at war with.

Of course, to see faceless women whose personalities and character must always hide underneath a veil brings a very valuable new perspective.

"Kandahar" is a film that Americans must see to gain an appropriate understanding of a culture seemingly set in the Stone Age.

If nothing else, "Kandahar" leaves viewers with a sense of pride and appreciation for a country that bestows the best gift of all, a gift too often taken for granted. The gift of freedom.

"Kandahar" was written, directed and produced by Mohsen Makhmalbaf. The film stars Niloufar Pazira, Hassan Tantai and Sadou Teymouri.



The Ithacan Comics

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DILBERT

BY SCOTT ADAMS

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BY IMSPUZZLES

WALLY, I HAVE TO DOWNSIZE YOU AS SOON AS YOU FINISH YOUR PROJECT.

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I HIRED A MAN-HATER TO BE YOUR SUPERVISOR. WHY?

FRANKLY, I'M KINDA TURNED ON BY ANGRY WOMEN IN PANTSUITS.

SHE'S DECISIVE. I LIKE THAT.

MAN-HATING SUPERVISOR: I'M PUTTING ALICE IN CHARGE OF THE PROJECT.

AND WILLY OR WALTER HERE CAN DRINK COFFEE UNTIL HE GROWS INTO A FLY.

I CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHY SHE'S BEING SO NICE TO ME.

MAN-HATING SUPERVISOR: HAVE ANY OF YOU MEN DONE ANYTHING TO JUSTIFY YOUR PAY?

I ATTENDED AN ALL-DAY MEETING BUT LATER FOUND OUT I WAS IN THE WRONG ONE.

ACTUALLY, YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE IN THIS MEETING EITHER. THE DOOR WAS OPEN.

MAN-HATING SUPERVISOR: YOU'RE FIRED FOR BEING A MAN.

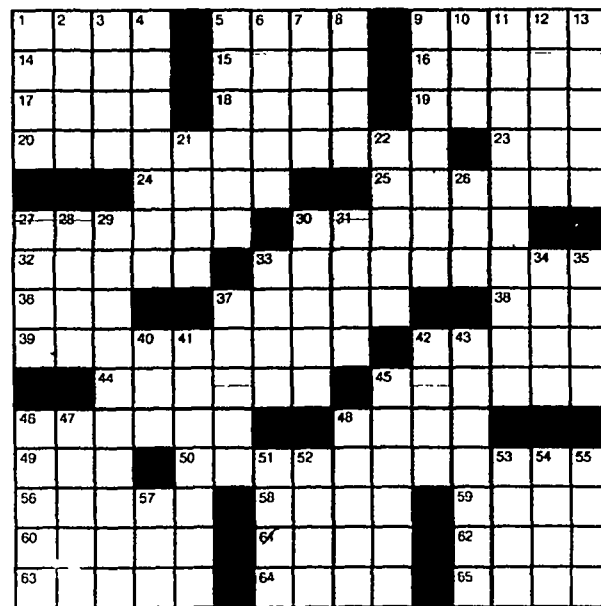
NO ONE HAS EVER CALLED ME A MAN BEFORE! THIS IS THE HAPPIEST DAY OF MY LIFE!

STOP ENJOYING LIFE!! I'M A MAN!

MAN-HATING SUPERVISOR: THE MEN HERE ARE OBVIOUS TO MY ABUSE. WHAT DID YOU DO TO THEM?

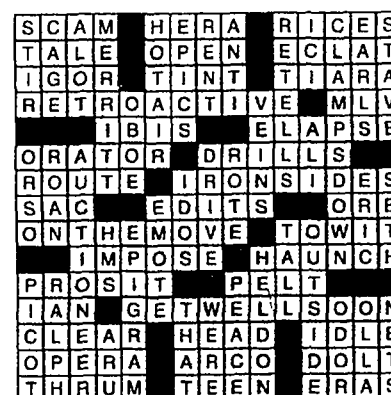
I SIPHONED OFF THEIR SELF-RESPECT AND KEEP IT IN VIALS IN A STORAGE ROOM.

THIS IS NO FUN. I QUIT. DO YOU WANT TO YELL AT THE VIALS WITH ME?



- ACROSS
- 1 Programming repetition
 - 5 Earthly paradise
 - 9 Hires actors
 - 14 BMW competitor
 - 15 Strauss
 - 16 Thus far
 - 17 Edinburgh resident
 - 18 First murder victim
 - 19 Experimental jazz pianist
 - 20 Frugality
 - 23 Dent starter?
 - 24 Banjo feature
 - 25 Gave ten percent
 - 27 Permeates
 - 30 Animals
 - 32 Holmes creator
 - 33 Cola container
 - 36 Pre-CD collection
 - 37 Immoral habits
 - 38 O.T. book
 - 39 Death duty
 - 42 Fam. sports centers
 - 44 Neither right nor wrong
 - 45 Spunky
 - 46 Posters
 - 48 Lady's address
 - 49 Also
 - 50 Epistolary afterthoughts
 - 56 Make off with
 - 58 California city
 - 59 Muse of history
 - 60 Metal roofing material
 - 61 Graven image
 - 62 Rod attachment
 - 63 Maxwell and Schiaparelli
 - 64 Strike a stance
 - 65 Unit of length
- DOWN
- 1 but not least...
 - 2 Painful exclamation
 - 3 Olfactory stimulator
 - 4 Pathetic
 - 5 Makes happy
 - 6 Accounting entry
 - 7 All tied
 - 8 Egypt's river
 - 9 City between Roma and Napoli
 - 10 Tempe sch.
 - 11 Man-made compounds
 - 12 Haute, IN
 - 13 Far from flighty
 - 21 At no cost
 - 22 Torn tickets
 - 26 Make lace
 - 27 Between jobs
 - 28 Cleaning tools
 - 29 Nonparticipants
 - 30 point (center of activity)
 - 31 Topmost point
 - 33 Pocket bread
 - 34 Would-be atty's exam
 - 35 A piece of cake
 - 37 Left-hand page
 - 40 Darya River
 - 41 Overthrows
 - 42 Twelvemonth
 - 43 Apery
 - 45 Easy
 - 46 Cheap jewelry
 - 47 Pentium manufacturers
 - 48 IBM feature from 1981
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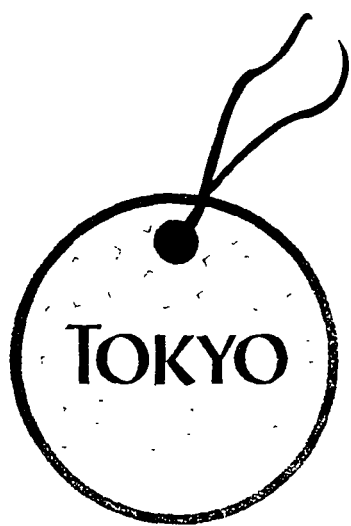
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'Brownie' leads team by example

Junior guard in second season as women's basketball captain

BY JENNIFER BEEKMAN
Staff Writer

At about 3:30 p.m. Saturday, a young girl approached junior point guard Kerri Brown outside Ben Light Gymnasium with a pen and paper in hand. With a smile on her face, Brown took the pen and signed her name on the paper, which happened to be the program for that day's game.

"Thanks for coming today," Brown said.

"Brownie" — as her teammates and coach on the basketball team know her — is no stranger to being a role model for young girls in the Ithaca area. She is in her third year as a member of the South Hill squad, dazzling fans with her prowess on the court.

Fans, however, are not alone in their admiration of this native of Bayport, Long Island. Her teammates look up to her as well. Last year, in just her second season on the team, Brown was named co-captain.

"She is a leader on the floor," sophomore Jennie Swatling said. "She sees the floor well, and she knows what to do. She also really helped me to adjust to the team last year as a freshman."

Coach Dan Raymond is quick to agree with Swatling.

"She is definitely a team leader, especially on the floor because she has the ball so much," he said.

Graduate student Kelly Brady, who has set records herself, values the leading role Brown plays.

"She leads by example on the court," Brady said. "She is very versatile. She calls out plays on offense. She is very good under pressure."

Brown, one of three children who all played basketball, was introduced to the sport by her mother, who was a successful college

player in her own right. The elder Brown played collegiate basketball, first at Suffolk Community College for two years and then at CW Post.

Brown's sister, who is 18, made the team at her college but is looking to transfer to a different school. Brown also says her younger brother is already showing promise.

"He's only 13, and he is already six feet tall," Brown chuckles. "He wears a size 14 shoe. He can definitely play basketball in college."

With two siblings likely to follow in her footsteps, Brown has set a good example. A hard worker, Brown says she had always aimed

high and hoped to be successful in college basketball but never predicted the extent of her success.

"I always loved playing," Brown said. "I

tried hard and worked at it, but I never knew what was going to happen."

Watching Brown work her magic on the court, one would be correct in assuming she was a natural. She has been playing since the third grade.

"I picked it up quickly," she admits.

Brown has used multiple aspects of her game to become one of the more prominent players on the Bombers' squad. Aside from her outstanding scoring capabilities, she combines speed with immaculate control of the ball to outplay her opponents.

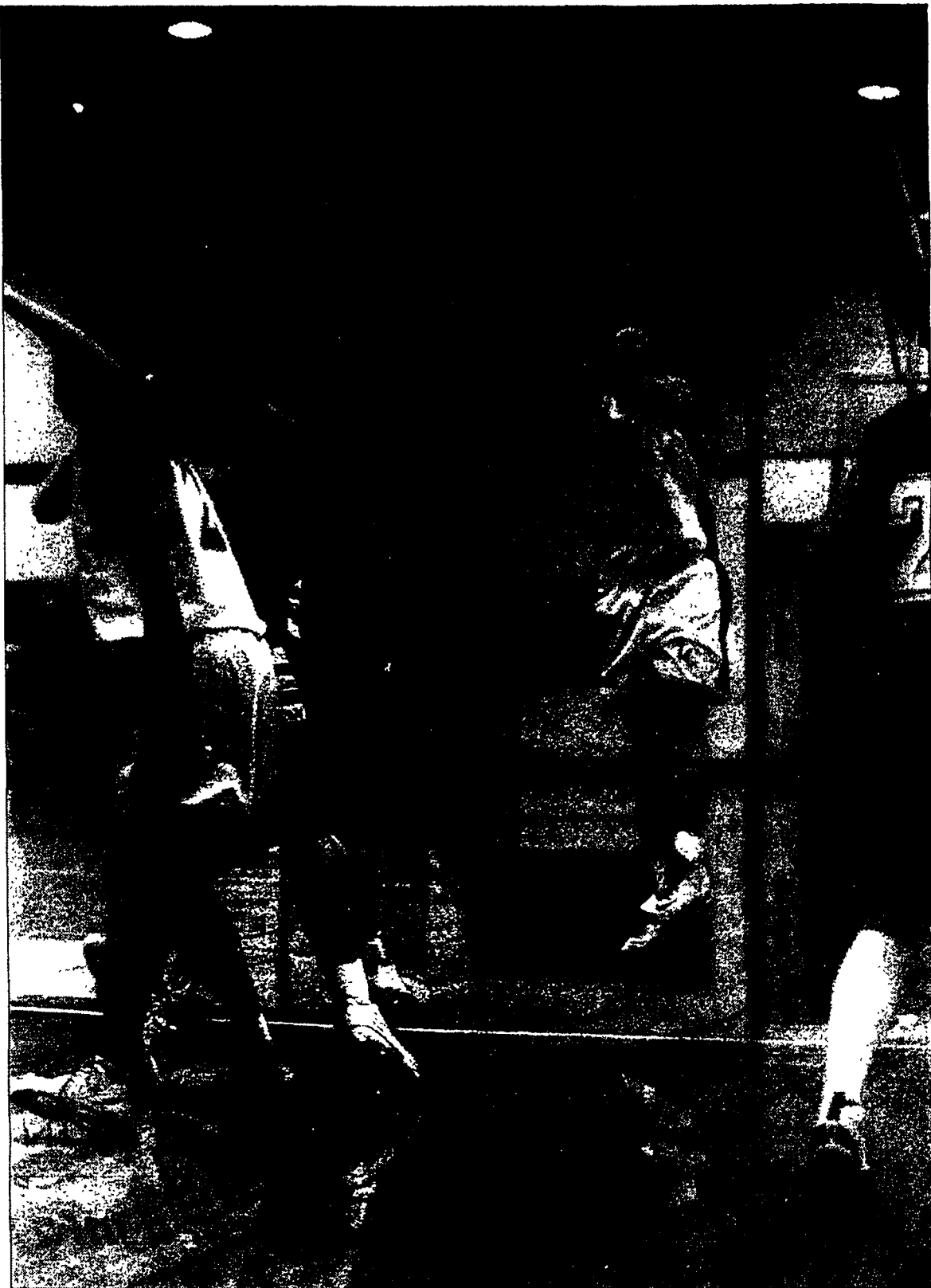
"She handles the ball unbelievably well," Swatling said. "She knows how to take it to the basket. She just blows right by us in practice."

Brown finds herself seventh on Ithaca's career scoring list, just eight points shy of taking over sixth place.

Even the best of the best are susceptible to slumping, though.

"She definitely takes charge ... She makes things happen."

—KELLY BRADY
graduate student



KRISTIN SAMPIERE/THE ITHACAN

JUNIOR KERRI BROWN shoots over the Nazareth defense in Saturday's defeat of the Golden Flyers.

Brown has struggled with her scoring of late, but she shrugs it off and adds praise to her team's performance.

"I haven't been scoring my best lately," said Brown, who nevertheless fell just one rebound and two assists shy of a triple-double in Friday's win over Nazareth. "As long as we play well as a team, I don't really care. I think it's really great when we can score equally across."

This attitude is just one example of the maturity Raymond sees in his starting point guard.

"She is willing to shoulder more responsibility for the team's success or failure," he said. "That's something that comes from maturity and it's something more kids need to be willing to do. And I'm not just talking about our team."

Brady, who has watched Brown over the last three years, can attest to her growth as a player.

"When she first got here, she was immediately thrown into the starting role, and I think she was a little intimidated," she said. "Now she definitely takes charge and is much more assertive. She makes things happen."

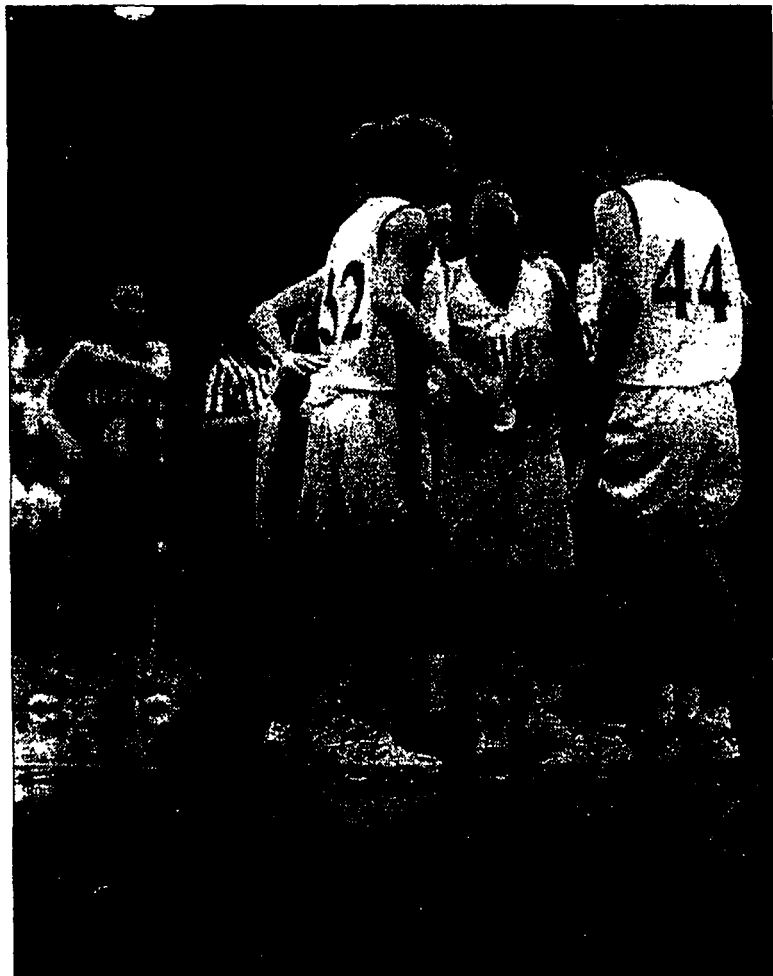
Love for the game is not the sole reason for Brown's commitment to the team. She enjoys being around her teammates as well.

"I just love having fun," she said. "The team is great. We get along really well, and it's fun when we play."

No one can doubt the passion Brown holds for basketball, but she also enjoyed running track and playing soccer for her high school. In fact, she came to Ithaca hoping to play soccer as well as basketball but decided one sport was enough. Without the key player who wears lucky No. 13,

who knows what the last three seasons would have brought.

"I originally started with No. 12, but my high school coach lost my uniform," said Brown, defending the superstitions revolving around her jersey number. "This number was the only number left, and I have just stuck with it."



KRISTIN SAMPIERE/THE ITHACAN

BROWN WAS VOTED co-captain by her teammates as a sophomore last season and serves in the same role this year.



KRISTIN SAMPIERE/THE ITHACAN

BROWN, A POINT GUARD, leads the team in assists and is tied for the lead in scoring. She is approaching sixth on the career points list.

Press Box

JUSTIN VOLDMAN

The Super Bowl: Why do you watch?

OK. I have a few quick questions for all you pseudo-football fans out there.

How many of you are really looking forward to Super Bowl Sunday for the football game itself? How many care about who wins or loses or have any interest in the on-field action?



How many of you are only tuning in to see some mechanical lizards talk and fight it out with frogs, watch beer bottles bang necks with each other or check out the newest iwanna-

makemoneyfromthecomfortofmy-home.com commercial?

Or, better yet, are you looking for the ever-important Frito-Lays pregame concert, the national anthem sung by some washed-up teen pop idol or the halftime show sponsored by blahblah-blah.com?

If you are honest with yourselves, I bet at least half of you couldn't care less about the game and are only interested in the events surrounding it. I am going out on a limb to say a fair amount of you would not even watch the game minus the extra attractions. This marks the commercialization of football and a disgrace to the game itself.

I'm not necessarily putting total blame on those of you who watch the game just for the circus sideshow that takes place. It is also the fault of the multibillion dollar corporations that have nothing better to do with their money than throw it around trying to get you to buy their newest invention — maybe Guava-Pineapple Pepsi — and make it look like everyone is drinking it.

My point is, come Sunday, there will be a football game, and to those who figuratively breathe football — myself included — Sunday is a national holiday.

The Super Bowl is a celebration and culmination of America's real pastime. For the past six months, starting with teams reporting to training camp, diehards have followed every week in hopes of seeing their team play in this game. In the NFL it is the only thing that matters. Despite a recent trend of Super Bores, I find excitement in the game no matter what the score, and this year should be no different.

Look at the story lines already: The Patriots, who many thought would finish last in their division, especially after Drew Bledsoe went down, are now representing the AFC, largely on the arm of previous no-name Tom Brady. Those truly rooting for an underdog need look no further than the Pats.

The Rams, who have a former no-name quarterback themselves, have arguably the most explosive offense in the history of the game and have finally found a way to play defense, something they relied little on two years ago when they won the Super Bowl. They are arguably the most talented team in football since the '85 Bears, though the teams' styles contrasted greatly.

Regardless of how the game turns out — and it should be a Rams dismantling of New England — it is still exciting because its football, not because of the commercials. So, while a lot of you are focusing on who's cheating on who in the newest Taster's Choice soap opera on Sunday, maybe try to divert some attention to the field and the players themselves. Celebrate football on Sunday, not corporate America.

Press Box appears in this space every week. E-mail Justin Voldman at jvoldma1@ic3.ithaca.edu.

Divers spring squads ahead

New diving coach and improved talent have team on rise

BY ANDREW KROECKEL
Staff Writer

In the past, head coach Kevin Markwardt was known to bring his men's swimming and diving team to the state championships missing one-half of that group — the diving team.

This season Markwardt and women's head coach Paula Miller can expect their vastly improved teams of divers to put the team over the top in its quest to repeat as men's and women's state champions.

Both the men's and women's diving teams have combined the talents and knowledge of a new coach with an experienced and close group of divers to become a new strength for an aquatics program that is perennially stacked with tremendous swimming talent.

Diving coach Karen Laface, a former U.S. Olympian and NCAA Division I champion, joined the staff this season — replacing longtime diving coach Chris Zoltoski — and she has helped guide the Bombers to new heights in diving. She is assisted by Willie Miller, who travels with the team to meets while Laface stays at home with her baby.

"She definitely has had a great impact on the team," junior Devin Fay said. "Just having her around, as a team, we just want to dive well for her."

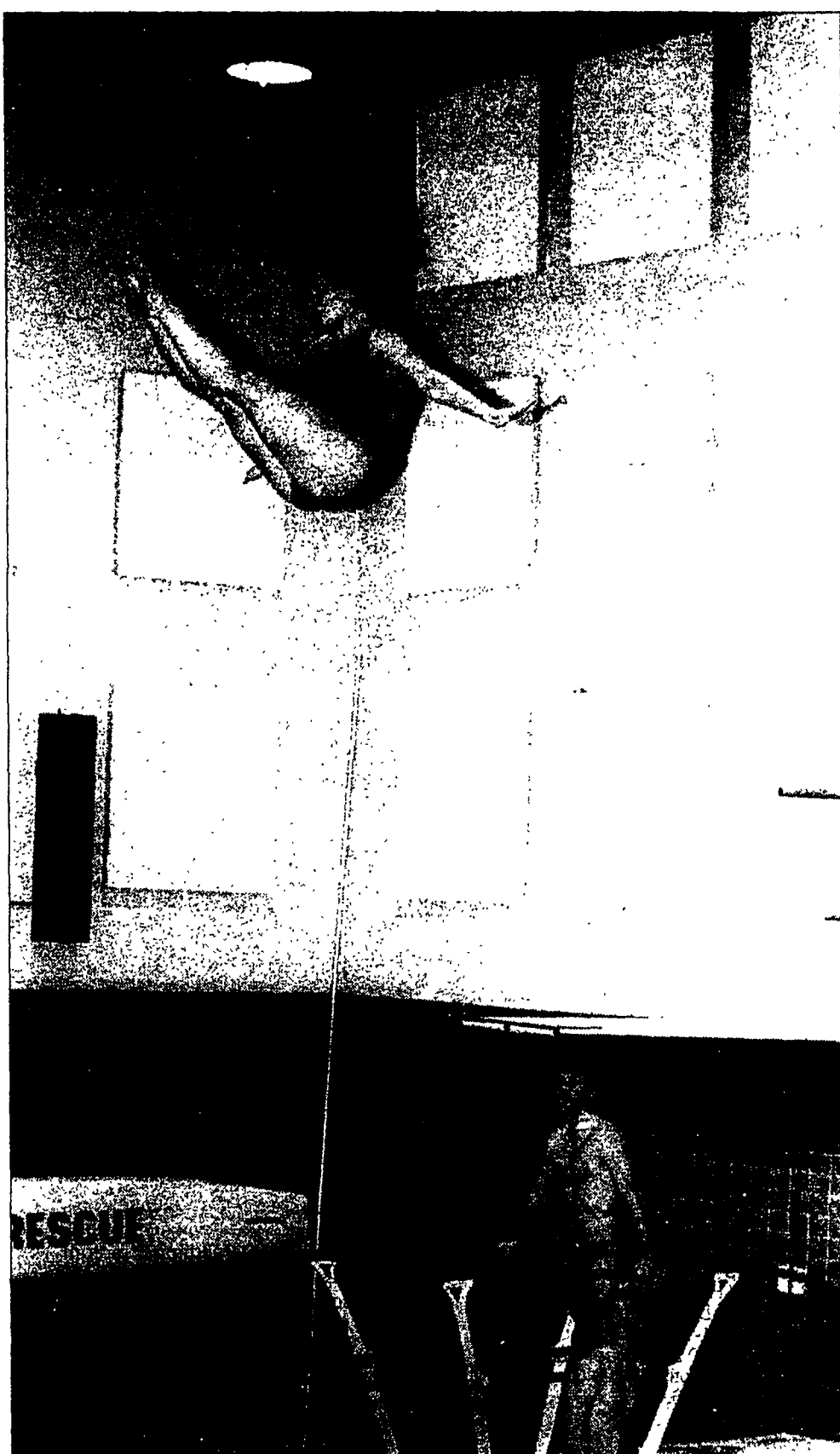
Laface, who placed ninth in the 1992 Olympics in the three-meter springboard, has brought a coaching style that focuses on the technical aspects of diving to a team with many divers that came from high schools with strong technical backgrounds. She focuses on the basics, such as clean entry into the water, keeping the body tight in the air and a good hurdle or approach.

"Karen can pick out the smallest things like put your head one degree forward," Fay said. "Little things that you wouldn't think about, and they all come together. And, these little tiny things improve your diving."

Fay and sophomore Mike Furstoss are the only two male divers, but they have managed to finish in some combination of first and second place in both the one-meter and three-meter dives of every dual meet this season, save the one against Alfred. In that meet Furstoss finished second and Fay third in the one-meter; Fay won the three-meter and Furstoss took



REBECCA GARDNER/THE ITHACAN
JUNIOR DEVIN FAY has helped improve the men's diving team the past two years.



REBECCA GARDNER/THE ITHACAN
SOPHOMORE KRISTEN SHORETTE has already qualified for the national meet.

second. Furstoss and Fay also swept the top two spots at the Henry Kumpf Invitational.

On the women's side, sophomore Kristen Shorette has led a very young team with 10 individual wins between the two diving events. Freshmen Jenny Ambro, Karen Deitel and Jane Mooney have all contributed, with Ambro winning four individual dives. The women have also placed at least one swimmer in the top two of each dive at every dual meet this season.

Also, a combined diving team placed third out of a field of seven at the Springfield (Mass.) Invitational, trailing Springfield College and Boston University.

Although the new diving coaches have given the teams a spark, they were already poised to excel with the return of Fay, Furstoss and Shorette, all talented and experienced divers.

"They had a lot of talent from the get-go," Laface said. "So it's not like I didn't have anything to work with. A lot of them are very talented, and all of them are excited about being there, and they seem to have to fun."

"I would say that everybody has improved quite a bit [since last season]," Shorette said. "I think it does have to do with the new coaching. I think everyone was in a place where they could've improved, anyway, even if coach [Zoltoski] had stayed."

Much of that potential has transformed into results because all the men and women are extremely close and have formed bonds that extend beyond the pool. Furstoss noted that the outside friendships have given the divers a new sense of confidence on the diving board. "I feel like there's a huge sense of cam-

aderie among all of us," Furstoss said. "There was last year, but this year seems like we are all clicking really well together."

Fay and Furstoss share a special relationship that is best described as a "friendly rivalry." "I want to beat him all of the time," Fay said sarcastically.

The two share a healthy competition that goes back and forth as they try to one-up each other in practice. Fay has adopted a

more courageous style of diving, which often results in him throwing a risky dive in practice. Furstoss, of course, has to try to stay on par and will try the same dive.

"I have a lot of finesse, and he has a lot of balls," Furstoss said. "That's the biggest difference [in style]. Mine's got the finishing touch, and he's got

the crazy guts to just throw something hard." The effects of this relationship have the two divers believing they can sweep the top two spots at the state tournament, which would provide the team with essential points.

"It's basically what you work up every year for," Furstoss said. "Devin couldn't go last year because he popped his ear drum. This year we are looking at a 1-2 possibility."

Individually, four Bombers have qualified for nationals. For the men, both Fay and Furstoss qualified in the one-meter, and Fay did so on the three-meter as well. Among the women, Shorette qualified on both boards, and Ambro has made it on the three-meter.

"I'm extremely satisfied with the progress that the kids have made," Markwardt said. "We haven't had divers in that position in a long time."

And they all get to go to states.

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—KAREN LAFACE
diving coach

Schulz's career-best propels men to win

BY BRIAN DELANEY
Assistant Sports Editor

Tyler Schulz isn't the most intimidating presence on the basketball court. In fact, the soft-spoken sophomore rarely shows any fiery emotion while playing.

He'll just flash you a quick smile and go about his business. His game is sometimes so smooth and natural that opposing teams tend to overlook the Ithaca big man.

But rest assured, they will overlook him no longer.

That's because the 6-foot-6-inch forward celebrated his coming-out party Tuesday with a dominating performance against visiting Oneonta, as the Bombers overturned a 15-point first-half deficit to beat the Red Dragons, 86-72.

Schulz was absolutely brilliant. He scored 24 second-half points and finished with a career-high 32 for the game, in addition to grabbing 12 rebounds. He took advantage of a smallish-but-quick Oneonta squad with an

Men's basketball

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Bombers vs. Oneonta
Jan. 29

Oneonta (72)

Kurt Troyer 9-15 5-7 27, Rashad Clark 3-9 6-8 14, Bob Kelly 5-10 0-1 11, Dave Micha 2-4 3-4 7, Shaun Bauer 2-5 1-2 5, Taylor Calhoun 2-3 0-0 4, Anthony Negreanu 1-5 0-0 2, Adam Chard 1-4 0-0 2, Matt Brown 0-2 0-0 0.
Totals 25-57 15-22 72.

Bombers (86)

Tyler Schulz 13-18 6-7 32, Jason Wallen 6-9 1-5 13, Matthew Riggins 5-11 2-3 12, Will Hill 4-8 0-1 9, Matthew Miller 4-9 0-0 9, Dane Fischer 3-8 0-1 6, Sean Clifford 1-7 0-0 3, Ryan Patenaude 1-3 0-0 2, Michael Rubera 0-2 0-0 0, Jesse Roth 0-1 0-0 0.
Totals 37-76 9-17 86.

array of post moves, put-backs and short jumpers. And when the Red Dragons came with a double team, Schulz was quick to dump the ball off to junior Jason Wallen (13 points) down low or kick it back outside to junior Matt Riggins (12 points) or senior Matt Miller (nine points) for an open jumper.

"Coach pulled me aside and told me that if the double team doesn't come then look to score, so when it was there, I took it," said Schulz, who also contributed defensively with two steals, a block and two charges taken.

Bomber Coach Jim Mullins knew that Schulz was capable of this kind of performance back when he recruited the sophomore at Monroe-Woodbury (N.Y.) High School.

"His freshman year he had a 17-rebound performance at St. Lawrence," Mullins said. "We keep telling him, 'This is what you're about.' What can you say? Thirty-two points and 12 boards is a man's work."

"He's such a good player, and the thing with Ty is that he's got to maintain a consistency."

After two good Empire Eight wins over the weekend, the Bombers were trying to keep the momentum going against the Red Dragons. But the first 15 minutes of the game left Mullins scratching his head as the South Hill squad fell behind, 40-25.

Oneonta guard Kurt Troyer torched Ithaca for 20 points on 8-of-11 shooting in the first half. Mullins turned to his point guard and leader, senior co-captain Dane Fischer, for an answer.

Fischer responded by shutting down Troyer in the second half, holding him scoreless for the first 13 minutes and allowing him only four field-goal attempts in the half.

"Coach said at halftime not to let [Troyer] touch the ball," said Fischer, who finished with six points, five rebounds, six assists and four steals. "That's kind of been my role since sophomore year. It's something I'm comfortable doing. And the other guys played great defense and made great adjustments."

Mullins was more than pleased with Fischer's exceptional play on Oneonta's main offensive weapon.

"Dane did a helluva job on him," Mullins said. "Tyler was the offensive star,



REBECCA GARDNER/THE ITHACAN

SOPHOMORE TYLER SCHULZ scored a career-high 32 points in Tuesday's victory.

but Dane was just as much the defensive star."

Fischer's contributions may be overshadowed by Schulz's gaudy numbers, but the two were the main factors in Ithaca pulling away from the Red Dragons in the second half.

With 12:21 left in the game, Fischer made a great steal and finished it off with a layup to bring Ithaca within one. A minute later, Schulz gave the Bombers the lead for good

with a layup of his own. He later sealed the win with two foul shots and a short jumper from the baseline.

It gave the Bombers (9-8) their third straight victory, and as the final horn sounded, all of his teammates went immediately to Schulz and congratulated him.

The sophomore just flashed a quick smile and went about his business.

Women hit road, take fourth straight triumph

BY JENNIFER BEEKMAN
Staff Writer

Riding a 12-3 record, confidence helped the Bombers overcome a seven-point deficit after the first half to claim a 62-53 victory over Hamilton Tuesday.

Though playing well in the first half, the Blue and Gold found itself trailing.

"We were playing awesome defense, and there was a lot of energy," graduate student Kelly Brady said. "Our shots just

weren't falling. We had a good look at the basket. We just weren't getting any love from it."

Assistant Coach Tara Ruckh said she and Head Coach Dan Raymond were pleased with the team's play. She said she was confident in the team's scoring ability and that all other aspects were succeeding.

"In the second half, we just eased into it," said Brady, who contributed five points and eight rebounds in the victory. "We knew there were 20 minutes left. We just took our time and chipped away at their lead."

Against the Continentals, freshman Stephanie Cleary scored

a career-high 22 points. Sophomore Kelly Gawronski and junior Kerri Brown each added 10 points in the victory, the team's fourth straight.

Although the team has been successful thus far this season, it has not always been satisfied with its performance.

"We have 14 people on our team and we can all play," Brady said. "It's just a matter of finding the right combination and getting a consistent level of play from our team."

Brady added the team has a tendency to play to the level of its opponents, which can sometimes prove detrimental. She said the team has been working on dictating the pace of games and forcing the opposition to adjust. Tuesday's game was a big improvement.

"Today we were doing a pretty good job of playing our game," she said. "We are feeling more comfortable with each other."

With all remaining games to be played against Empire Eight opponents, it is imperative for the team to maintain the momentum it's carrying. Currently atop the conference rankings, the Bombers can smell a second consecutive league crown.

"All of our games are big games," Brady said. "I feel like it's give or take in this conference. We beat Utica, but they beat Fisher, and Fisher beat us. You never know what's going to happen, but we are taking it one game at a time, and hopefully we will win the rest of our games."

Confidence is going to play a role. With an even better record than last year, the team is definitely playing confident basketball. Ruckh said it is important for successful teams, like the Bombers, to have a certain air of confidence.

"Being as successful as we

have been in the past, I think our confidence has been increasing game after game," she said. "The longer that we play well, the more our confidence is going to grow. It is extremely important going into a game, knowing that you can win."

The Bombers will attempt to extend their winning streak when they host Hartwick on Friday.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Bombers at Hamilton
Jan. 29

Hartwick (53)

Liz Casey 2-6 2-3 7, Tricia Czeski 1-8 4-4 7, Jenny Russell 2-9 1-2 7, Karen Pogonowski 2-6 0-0 6, Anna Jablonski 1-4 3-4 5, Holly Erick 1-4 3-3 5, Jen Munoz 2-4 1-2 5, Avery Anderson 2-2 0-0 4, Stephanie Dunn 1-4 2-4 4, Melissa Nelson 1-4 0-0 3.
Totals 16-51 16-22 53.

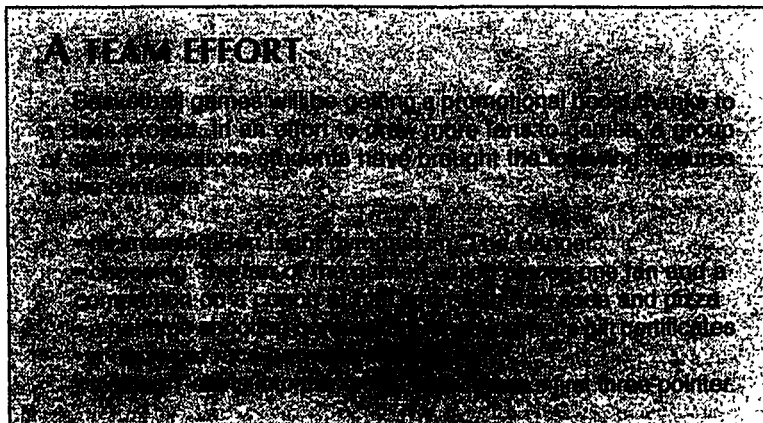
Bombers (62)

Stephanie Cleary 7-17 6-6 22, Kelly Gawronski 5-14 0-0 10, Kerri Brown 4-8 2-2 10, Alex Ivansheck 2-5 4-6 8, Kelly Brady 2-4 1-5 5, Jennie Swatling 1-8 1-2 3, Donna Fisher 0-2 2-2 2, Heather Savignano 1-3 0-0 2, Sarah Duerr 0-1 0-0 0, Carolyn Cox 0-0 0-2 0, Jessica Poole 0-1 0-0 0, Becca Berry 0-0 0-0 0.
Totals 22-63 16-25 62.



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SOPHOMORE ALEX IVANSHECK defends against RIT Saturday.



A TEAM EFFORT

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Bomber Roundup

Men's aquatics

Saturday

The Bombers continued their pursuit of a perfect dual-meet season with a 168-63 win over Rochester. The victory moved the team to 8-0 on the season.

Sophomore Sasha Kuzeznov won both the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard freestyle with respective times of 21.99 and 48.18.

Sophomore Sean Kavanaugh was also a double winner as he placed first in the 400-yard individual medley (4:22.38) and the 500-yard freestyle (5:04.29).

Continuing his dominance in the distance events, freshman Steve Barnes won the 1,650-yard freestyle in 16:43.16.

Senior Tyler Burns posted his first individual victory of the season by winning the 200-yard butterfly in 2:06.18.

With a score of 243.9 sophomore Mike Furstoss won the 1-meter dive, as junior Devin Fay won the 3-meter (210.2).

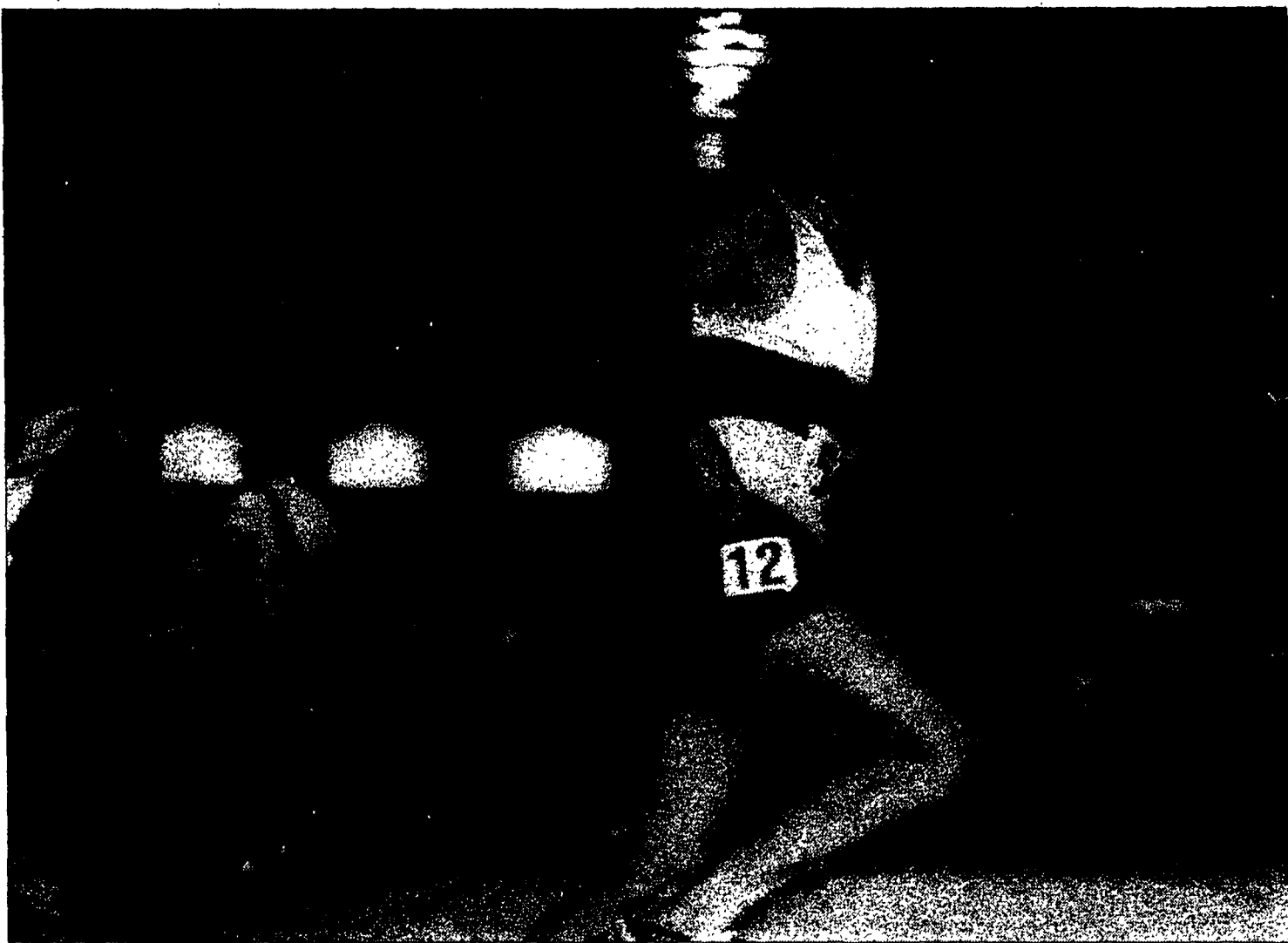
Women's aquatics

Saturday

The Bombers continued their winning ways by posting a 152-91 victory over Rochester.

Sophomore Michelle Yellin led the Ithaca triumph by posting convincing victories in both the 50-yard freestyle (26.68 seconds) and 200-yard backstroke (2:14.56). Yellin also helped the 400-yard medley relay team — with freshman Ashley Ellis and sophomores Megan Hughes and Heather Nelson — take the top spot (4:11.66).

Fellow sophomore Kristen Shorette also cleaned up in both the one-meter and three-meter diving events with scores of 222.75 and



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SOPHOMORE SHAWN CALABRESE keeps ahead of the competition during a race Dec. 1 held at Cornell.

253.25, respectively.

The Bombers were able to capture first place in nine of the 13 events. Also picking up wins were Hughes in the 200-yard freestyle (158.51), freshman Alyson Emmett in the 200-yard butterfly (2:16.80) and sophomore Andrea Farwell in the 100-yard freestyle (57.11). Freshman Megan Linehan, sophomore Sarah Bond and juniors Karrie Syck and Erin Shackelton gave the 400-yard freestyle relay team a victory to close out the

night (3:51.24).

Ithaca will next swim against Union Saturday at 2 p.m.

Men's basketball

Friday

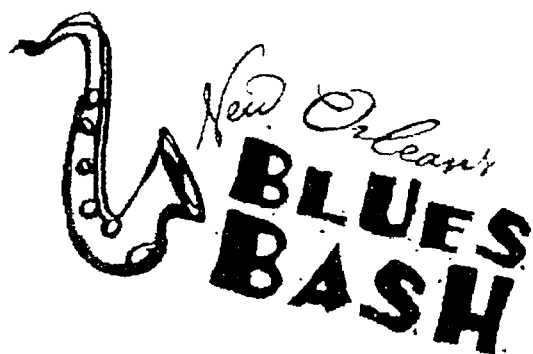
The Bombers had a successful weekend, winning two key Empire Eight contests in a

20-hour span.

The Blue and Gold dominated league-leading Nazareth, 86-67, behind the stellar play of Will Hill. The junior struck for 17 points on 7-of-9 shooting, including a perfect 3-of-3 from behind the arc. He also added three steals, four assists and one block.

Senior Matt Miller added 16 points, and sophomore Tyler Schulz tallied 11. The Bombers shot an incredible 58 percent from

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the field against the Golden Flyers, who have never won at Ben Light Gymnasium. Freshman Michael Kubera came off the bench to contribute eight points and six boards, while senior point guard Dane Fischer had a solid game with four points, nine assists and two steals.

Saturday

The South Hill squad withstood a late rally from RIT and held on for a 71-68 victory against the Tigers.

Ithaca jumped out to a 10-point halftime lead and extended it to 15 points in the second half before RIT's All-American guard, Brandon Redmond, led the Tigers back to within one point with 37 seconds left. Redmond finished with 24 points, 10 rebounds and five assists in the losing cause.

Four Bombers scored in double figures for Coach Jim Mullins, who got great play off the bench from freshman Nate Thomas (seven points) and Kubera (seven rebounds). Miller and Schulz had 13 points apiece; Fischer added 12 points, seven assists and four steals; and Hill contributed 10 points in the victory.

Junior Matt Riggins had nine points and two of the Blue and Gold's 17 team steals as Ithaca forced several key turnovers.

The Bombers were outrebounded by the Tigers, 44-28, but got to the foul line 10 more times, hitting 28-of-35 (80 percent), while RIT knocked down only 17-of-25 from the charity stripe.

Women's basketball

Friday

The Bombers grabbed lone possession of second place in the Empire Eight with a commanding 67-50 victory over the Nazareth Golden Flyers.

Using her speed to the team's advantage, freshman Stephanie Cleary led the way with 13 points. Junior Kerri Brown came close to notching a triple-double, contributing 12 points, pulling down a game-high nine re-

bounds and adding eight assists.

Entering the game, the two teams were tied for second place in the conference.

But the Bombers took a five-point half-time lead and exploded in the second half, playing tough defense and shooting 50 percent from the field.

Saturday

After a shaky first half, the Bombers (11-3) regrouped at half time to claim a 67-50 victory over RIT.

The Blue and Gold entered the game tied for first place in the Empire Eight after defeating Nazareth.

Freshman Stephanie Cleary led the Bombers in scoring with 13 points. She also contributed four rebounds. Sophomore Kelly Gawronski added 12 points.

Junior guard Kerri Brown, who scored six points against the Tigers, moved into seventh place on Ithaca's career scoring list. She is now seven points away from tying Kerrin Perniciario '95 for sixth place.

All fourteen Bombers who saw playing time earned their way into the scoring column, but Ithaca committed 27 turnovers against the 0-15 Tigers.

Gymnastics

Saturday

The Bombers competed in their first dual meet of the season and lost to Division II West Chester by a score of 178.375 points to 178.225 points.

Senior Jocelyn Genoa led the way for the Blue and Gold by finishing first in the all-around competition with a total score of 36.125, coming in second on the bars with a 9.225 and third on the beam with a 9.075.

Another top finisher for the South Hill squad was freshman Heather Block, who won the vault with a score of 9.325 and finished in a third-place tie in the floor exercise with sophomore Rachel Edelson (9.300).

The Bombers were ranked fourth in the latest National Collegiate Gymnastics Association poll, and sophomore Leslie Gelatt

is ranked first on the balance beam and second in the floor exercise.

Men's track and field

Saturday

Junior Jim Ravener set a school record by running the 400-meter dash in 50.05 seconds at Boston University's Terrier Classic.

Junior Garrett Wagner took first in his heat in the 3,000-meter run and qualified for both the New York State Collegiate Track Conference and ECAC meets with a time of 8:52.50. Sophomore Mike Styczynski and junior Joe Kelly also qualified for both the NYSCTC and ECAC meets in the 5,000-meter run. Styczynski finished in 15:04.91, and Kelly crossed the line at 15:15.98.

Freshman Robert Pickels and junior Brian Cocca finished up the list of postseason qualifiers, each also earning spots in both meets. Pickels locked up berths in the 200-meter dash by finishing in 23.17. Cocca qualified in the 1,000-meter run in 2:34.10.

Women's track and field

Sunday

The Bombers won the Hamilton College Invitational, finishing the competition with 192 points. Sophomore Amanda Laytham finished first in the 1,500- and 3,000-meter run. Laytham qualified for the New York State Collegiate Track Conference meet in the 1,500-meter run with a time of four minutes, 46.34 seconds. Laytham also qualified for the NYSCTC in the 3,000-meter in 10:27.41.

Freshmen Carrie Williams and Emily Maston, sophomore Kristen Cravotta and senior Amy Holvey also posted first place finishes. Williams finished first in the 55-meter hurdles in 9.35. Maston ran the 800-meter run in 2:23.31 to finish first. Cravotta won the 500-meter run in a time of 1:22.92. Co-captain Holvey was victorious in the 200-meter dash, taking first in a time of 28.35. Along with these first place finishers, the distance medley relay team also qualified for the

NYSCTC meet.

The next meet for the Blue and Gold is on Saturday at the Tufts (Mass.) Invitational.

Wrestling

Thursday

Senior tri-captains Carlos Restrepo and Ryan Ciotoli earned their 90th and 82nd wins, respectively, as the Bombers downed Binghamton, 32-9. Ithaca, ranked 23rd nationally, is now .500 on the season at 6-6.

Freshman heavyweight Bryan Steele started the Bombers off with a win. At 125 and 133 pounds, Ithaca took two forfeits. The Blue and Gold went on to win their next four matches.

Freshman Marc Israel had a major decision at 141 pounds to record his 20th win of the season. Freshman Keenan Beach also had a major decision at 149 pounds. Ciotoli squeaked by Beau Bruno of Binghamton in the last seconds of the bout, 3-1, in the 157-pound bracket. Junior Bill Parry came off the injured list at 165 pounds to seal the victory for the Bombers with a 6-5 decision.

Saturday

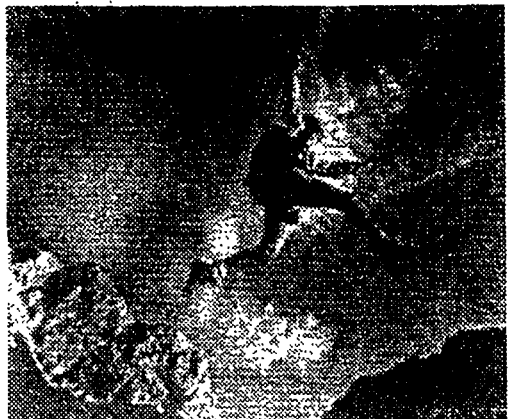
Senior Dan Montana won in overtime, 3-2, in the last match of the night in Ben Light Gymnasium to pull off the upset of 13th-ranked Lycoming (Pa.). The 141-pounder knocked off Andy Squire to break a 19-19 tie and push Ithaca (7-6) to a 22-19 victory.

Senior tri-captains Ryan Ciotoli (157 pounds) and Carlos Restrepo (125) both had major-decision wins and recorded their 83rd and 91st wins, respectively. Restrepo is now tied with all-American Dan Bieller '90 for 13th on Ithaca's all-time wins list.

Other Bomber winners included juniors Bill Parry at 165 pounds and Andrew Locke at 174 pounds, with scores of 13-4 and 5-0, respectively. Freshman heavyweight Bryan Steele also won his match over Jon Neve by a major decision of 13-0.

The Bombers are in action at 8 p.m. on Saturday at Wilkes (Pa.).

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